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# ***STIC Search Report***

## ***EIC 2600***

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**TO: Brian Le**  
**Location: PK1 4B 40**  
**Art Unit : 2623**  
**Friday, October 15, 2004**

**Case Serial Number: 09977238**

**From: Samir Patel**  
**Location: EIC 2600**  
**PK2-3C03**  
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### **Search Notes**

Dear Examiner

Please find attached the search results for 09/977238. I have used the search strategy as per our discussion. I searched the standard Dialog files, IEEE and the internet.

If you would like a re-focus please let me know.

Thank you

Samir Patel

L Number	Hits	Search Text	DB	Time stamp
1	9401	382/145,194.ccls. 438/207,208,231,232,14,16,253,396.ccls.	USPAT; US-PGPUB; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	2004/10/21 12:22
2	9607	382/145,147,194.ccls. 438/207,208,231,232,14,16,253,396.ccls.	USPAT; US-PGPUB; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	2004/10/21 12:25
3	2905	HSG or (grow near4 hemispherical near4 grains)	USPAT; US-PGPUB; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	2004/10/21 12:25
4	499	(382/145,147,194.ccls. 438/207,208,231,232,14,16,253,396.ccls.) and (HSG or (grow near4 hemispherical near4 grains))	USPAT; US-PGPUB; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	2004/10/21 12:25
5	626	(HSG or (grow\$3 near4 hemispherical near4 grains) or ((grain or size or degree or volume or dimension) near5 grow\$3)) and ((compar\$3 or analy\$4) same image same pixel)	USPAT; US-PGPUB; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	2004/10/21 12:26
6	9	(382/145,147,194.ccls. 438/207,208,231,232,14,16,253,396.ccls.) and ((HSG or (grow\$3 near4 hemispherical near4 grains) or ((grain or size or degree or volume or dimension) near5 grow\$3)) and ((compar\$3 or analy\$4) same image same pixel))	USPAT; US-PGPUB; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	2004/10/21 12:26
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☐ 1. Document ID: US 6801650 B1

L2: Entry 1 of 23

File: USPT

Oct 5, 2004

US-PAT-NO: 6801650

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6801650 B1

TITLE: Mechanism and method for controlling focal point position of UV  
light and apparatus and method for inspection

DATE-ISSUED: October 5, 2004

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Kikuchi; Hiroki	Kanagawa			JP
Nogami; Asahiko	Tokyo			JP
Morita; Masayuki	Saitama			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 382/145; 250/201.4, 250/372, 250/548

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
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Claims	KWIC	Draw Desc	Image
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☐ 2. Document ID: US 6785873 B1

L2: Entry 2 of 23

File: USPT

Aug 31, 2004

US-PAT-NO: 6785873

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6785873 B1

TITLE: Emulation system with multiple asynchronous clocks

DATE-ISSUED: August 31, 2004

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:



NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Tseng; Ping-Sheng	Sunnyvale	CA		

US-CL-CURRENT: 716/4; 716/1

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
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Claims	KWC	Draw Desc	Image
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☐ 3. Document ID: US 677677 B2

L2: Entry 3 of 23

File: USPT

Aug 17, 2004

US-PAT-NO: 677677

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 677677 B2

TITLE: Method of inspecting pattern and inspecting instrument

DATE-ISSUED: August 17, 2004

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Nozoe; Mari	Hino			JP
Nishiyama; Hidetoshi	Kokubunji			JP
Hijikata; Shigeaki	Ome			JP
Watanabe; Kenji	Ome			JP
Abe; Koji	Hitachinaka			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 250/310; 250/307

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
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☐ 4. Document ID: US 6759655 B2

L2: Entry 4 of 23

File: USPT

Jul 6, 2004

US-PAT-NO: 6759655

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6759655 B2

TITLE: Inspection method, apparatus and system for circuit pattern

DATE-ISSUED: July 6, 2004

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Nara; Yasuhiko	Hitachinaka			JP
Machida; Kazuhisa	Kawasaki			JP
Nozoe; Mari	Hino			JP
Morioka; Hiroshi	Higashimurayama			JP
Usami; Yasutsugu	Hitachinaka			JP
Hiroi; Takashi	Yokohama			JP
Hayakawa; Kohichi	Hitachinaka			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 250/310; 250/307

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Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
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☐ 5. Document ID: US 6757645 B2

L2: Entry 5 of 23

File: USPT

Jun 29, 2004

US-PAT-NO: 6757645

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6757645 B2

TITLE: Visual inspection and verification system

DATE-ISSUED: June 29, 2004

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Chang; Fang-Cheng	Mountain View	CA		
Wang; Yao-Ting	Sunnyvale	CA		
Pati; Yagyensh C.	Redwood City	CA		
Karklin; Linard N.	Sunnyvale	CA		

US-CL-CURRENT: 703/13; 716/19, 716/21

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
Claims	PWC	Draw Desc	Image						

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☐ 6. Document ID: US 6757621 B2

L2: Entry 6 of 23

File: USPT

Jun 29, 2004

US-PAT-NO: 6757621

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6757621 B2

TITLE: Process management system

DATE-ISSUED: June 29, 2004

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Mizuno; Fumio	Tokorozawa			JP
Isogai; Seiji	Hitachinaka			JP
Watanabe; Kenji	Oume			JP
Yoshitake; Yasuhiro	Yokosuka			JP
Asakawa; Terushige	Hamura			JP

Ohyama; Yuichi	Isezaki	JP
Sugimoto; Hidekuni	Honjyo	JP
Ishikawa; Seiji	Kawasaki	JP
Shiba; Masataka	Yokohama	JP
Nakazato; Jun	Shinagawa-ku	JP
Ariga; Makoto	Yokohama	JP
Yokouchi; Tetsuji	Yokohama	JP
Hamada; Toshimitsu	Yokohama	JP
Suzuki; Ikuo	Hitachinaka	JP
Ikota; Masami	Higashiyamato	JP
Nozoe; Mari	Oume	JP
Miyazaki; Isao	Isezaki	JP
Shigyo; Yoshiharu	Takasaka	JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 702/35; 257/E21.525, 700/121, 702/36, 702/40

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
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## ☐ 7. Document ID: US 6754763 B2

L2: Entry 7 of 23

File: USPT

Jun 22, 2004

US-PAT-NO: 6754763

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6754763 B2

TITLE: Multi-board connection system for use in electronic design automation

DATE-ISSUED: June 22, 2004

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Lin; Sharon Sheau-Pyng	Cupertino	CA		

US-CL-CURRENT: 710/317; 361/748, 370/257, 710/305, 712/33

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
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Claims	KWIC	Draw Desc	Image
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☐ 8. Document ID: US 6651225 B1

L2: Entry 8 of 23

File: USPT

Nov 18, 2003

US-PAT-NO: 6651225

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6651225 B1

TITLE: Dynamic evaluation logic system and method

DATE-ISSUED: November 18, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Lin; Sharon Sheau-Pyng	Cupertino	CA		
Tseng; Ping-Sheng	Sunnyvale	CA		
Chang; Chwen-Cher	Fremont	CA		
Hwang; Su-Jen	Los Altos	CA		

US-CL-CURRENT: 716/4; 716/1

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
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Claims	KWIC	Draw Desc	Image
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☐ 9. Document ID: US 6583414 B2

L2: Entry 9 of 23

File: USPT

Jun 24, 2003

US-PAT-NO: 6583414

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6583414 B2

TITLE: Method of inspecting pattern and inspecting instrument

DATE-ISSUED: June 24, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Nozoe; Mari	Hino			JP
Nishiyama; Hidetoshi	Kokubunji			JP
Hijikata; Shigeaki	Ome			JP
Watanabe; Kenji	Ome			JP
Abe; Koji	Hitachinaka			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 250/310; 250/397

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
Claims	MMIC	Draw Desc	Image						

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☐ 10. Document ID: US 6578188 B1

L2: Entry 10 of 23

File: USPT

Jun 10, 2003

US-PAT-NO: 6578188

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6578188 B1

TITLE: Method and apparatus for a network-based mask defect printability analysis system

DATE-ISSUED: June 10, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
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Pang; Linyong	Stanford	CA
Howard; Daniel William	Santa Clara	CA
Karklin; Linard	Sunnyvale	CA

US-CL-CURRENT: 716/19; 977/DIG.1

☐ 11. Document ID: US 6567168 B2

L2: Entry 11 of 23

File: USPT

May 20, 2003

US-PAT-NO: 6567168

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6567168 B2

**\*\* See image for Certificate of Correction \*\***

TITLE: Inspection method, apparatus and system for circuit pattern

DATE-ISSUED: May 20, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Nara; Yasuhiko	Hitachinaka			JP
Hiroi; Takashi	Yokohama			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 356/394; 250/310

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
Claims	KWC	Draw Desc	Image						

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☐ 12. Document ID: US 6542830 B1

L2: Entry 12 of 23

File: USPT

Apr 1, 2003

US-PAT-NO: 6542830

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6542830 B1

TITLE: Process control system

DATE-ISSUED: April 1, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Mizuno; Fumio	Tokorozawa			JP
Isogai; Seiji	Hitachinaka			JP
Watanabe; Kenji	Oume			JP
Yoshitake; Yasuhiro	Yokosuka			JP
Asakawa; Terushige	Hamura			JP
Ohyama; Yuichi	Isezaki			JP
Sugimoto; Hidekuni	Honjyo			JP
Ishikawa; Seiji	Kawasaki			JP
Shiba; Masataka	Yokohama			JP
Nakazato; Jun	Shinagawa-ku			JP
Ariga; Makoto	Yokohama			JP
Yokouchi; Tetsuji	Yokohama			JP
Hamada; Toshimitsu	Yokohama			JP
Suzuki; Ikuo	Hitachinaka			JP
Ikota; Masami	Higashiyamato			JP
Nozoe; Mari	Oume			JP
Miyazaki; Isao	Isezaki			JP
Shigyo; Yoshiharu	Takasaki			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 702/35; 257/E21.525, 700/109, 700/110, 700/121, 702/36,  
702/40, 702/81, 702/83

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
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Claims	KMC	Draw Desc	Image
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☐ 13. Document ID: US 6531697 B1

L2: Entry 13 of 23

File: USPT

Mar 11, 2003

US-PAT-NO: 6531697

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6531697 B1

TITLE: Method and apparatus for scanning transmission electron  
microscopy

DATE-ISSUED: March 11, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Nakamura; Kuniyasu	Musashino			JP
Kakibayashi; Hiroshi	Nagareyama			JP
Ichihashi; Mikio	Kodaira			JP
Isakozawa; Shigeto	Hitachinaka			JP
Sato; Yuji	Hitachinaka			JP
Hashimoto; Takahito	Hitachinaka			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 250/311; 250/302, 250/305, 250/306, 250/310

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
Claims	RWC	Draw Desc	Image						

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☐ 14. Document ID: US 6504609 B2

L2: Entry 14 of 23

File: USPT

Jan 7, 2003

US-PAT-NO: 6504609

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6504609 B2

TITLE: Inspection method, apparatus and system for circuit pattern

DATE-ISSUED: January 7, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Nara; Yasuhiko	Hitachinaka			JP
Machida; Kazuhisa	Kawasaki			JP
Nozoe; Mari	Hino			JP
Morioka; Hiroshi	Higashimurayama			JP
Usami; Yasutsugu	Hitachinaka			JP
Hiroi; Takashi	Yokohama			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 356/394

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Patent	Patent
Claims	KVMC	Draw Desc	Image						

☐ 15. Document ID: US 6493082 B2

L2: Entry 15 of 23

File: USPT

Dec 10, 2002

US-PAT-NO: 6493082

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6493082 B2

TITLE: Inspection method, apparatus and system for circuit pattern

DATE-ISSUED: December 10, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Nara; Yasuhiko	Hitachinaka			JP
Machida; Kazuhisa	Kawasaki			JP
Nozoe; Mari	Hino			JP

Morioka; Hiroshi	Higashimurayama	JP
Usami; Yasutsugu	Hitachinaka	JP
Hiroi; Takashi	Yokohama	JP
Hayakawa; Kohichi	Hitachinaka	JP
Ito; Maki	Koganei	JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 356/394; 382/145

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		

Claims	MMMC	Draw Desc	Image

## ☐ 16. Document ID: US 6480279 B2

L2: Entry 16 of 23

File: USPT

Nov 12, 2002

US-PAT-NO: 6480279

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6480279 B2

TITLE: Inspection method, apparatus and system for circuit pattern

DATE-ISSUED: November 12, 2002

### INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Nara; Yasuhiko	Hitachinaka			JP
Machida; Kazuhisa	Kawasaki			JP
Nozoe; Mari	Hino			JP
Morioka; Hiroshi	Higashimurayama			JP
Usami; Yasutsugu	Hitachinaka			JP
Hiroi; Takashi	Yokohama			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 356/394; 382/145

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
Claims	KWMC	Draw Desc	Image						

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☐ 17. Document ID: US 6476913 B1

L2: Entry 17 of 23

File: USPT

Nov 5, 2002

US-PAT-NO: 6476913

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6476913 B1

**\*\* See image for Certificate of Correction \*\***

TITLE: Inspection method, apparatus and system for circuit pattern

DATE-ISSUED: November 5, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Machida; Kazuhisa	Kawasaki			JP
Nozoe; Mari	Hino			JP
Morioka; Hiroshi	Higashimurayama			JP
Usami; Yasutsugu	Hitachinaka			JP
Hiroi; Takashi	Yokohama			JP
Ito; Maki	Koganei			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 356/394

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
Claims	KWMC	Draw Desc	Image						

☐ 18. Document ID: US 6421251 B1

L2: Entry 18 of 23

File: USPT

Jul 16, 2002

US-PAT-NO: 6421251

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6421251 B1

**\*\* See image for Certificate of Correction \*\***

TITLE: Array board interconnect system and method

DATE-ISSUED: July 16, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Lin; Sharon Sheau-Pyng	Cupertino	CA	95014	

US-CL-CURRENT: 361/788; 361/803

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
Claims	RMCD	Draw Deso	Image						

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☐ 19. Document ID: US 6421122 B2

L2: Entry 19 of 23

File: USPT

Jul 16, 2002

US-PAT-NO: 6421122

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6421122 B2

**\*\* See image for Certificate of Correction \*\***

TITLE: Inspection method, apparatus and system for circuit pattern

DATE-ISSUED: July 16, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Nara; Yasuhiko	Hitachinaka			JP
Machida; Kazuhisa	Kawasaki			JP

Nozoe; Mari	Hino	JP
Morioka; Hiroshi	Higashimurayama	JP
Usami; Yasutsugu	Hitachinaka	JP
Hiroi; Takashi	Yokohama	JP
Hayakawa; Kohichi	Hitachinaka	JP
Ito; Maki	Koganei	JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 356/394; 382/145

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Data	Reference		

Claims	KWIC	Draw Desc	Image

## ☐ 20. Document ID: US 6389379 B1

L2: Entry 20 of 23

File: USPT

May 14, 2002

US-PAT-NO: 6389379

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6389379 B1

TITLE: Converification system and method

DATE-ISSUED: May 14, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Lin; Sharon Sheau-Pyng	Cupertino	CA		
Tseng; Ping-Sheng	Sunnyvale	CA		

US-CL-CURRENT: 703/14; 703/23, 716/5

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Data	Reference		

Claims	KWIC	Draw Desc	Image

21. Document ID: US 6388747 B2

L2: Entry 21 of 23

File: USPT

May 14, 2002

US-PAT-NO: 6388747

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6388747 B2

TITLE: Inspection method, apparatus and system for circuit pattern

DATE-ISSUED: May 14, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Nara; Yasuhiko	Hitachinaka			JP
Machida; Kazuhisa	Kawasaki			JP
Nozoe; Mari	Hino			JP
Morioka; Hiroshi	Higashimurayama			JP
Usami; Yasutsugu	Hitachinaka			JP
Hiroi; Takashi	Yokohama			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 356/394

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
Claims	KWC	Draw	Desc	Image					

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☐ 22. Document ID: US 6321366 B1

L2: Entry 22 of 23

File: USPT

Nov 20, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6321366

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6321366 B1

TITLE: Timing-insensitive glitch-free logic system and method

DATE-ISSUED: November 20, 2001

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Tseng; Ping-Sheng	Sunnyvale	CA		
Lin; Sharon Sheau-Ping	Cupertino	CA		
Shen; Quincy Kun-Hsu	Union City	CA		

US-CL-CURRENT: 716/6; 703/19

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
Claims	KWIC	Draw Desc	Image						

☐ 23. Document ID: US 5777327 A

L2: Entry 23 of 23

File: USPT

Jul 7, 1998

US-PAT-NO: 5777327

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5777327 A

TITLE: Pattern shape inspection apparatus for forming specimen image on display apparatus

DATE-ISSUED: July 7, 1998

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Mizuno; Fumio	Tokorozawa			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 250/310; 250/306

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference		
Claims	KWIC	Draw Desc	Image						



File 344:Chinese Patents Abs Aug 1985-2004/May  
(c) 2004 European Patent Office  
File 347:JAPIO Nov 1976-2004/Jun(Updated 041004)  
(c) 2004 JPO & JAPIO  
File 350:Derwent WPIX 1963-2004/UD,UM &UP=200465  
(c) 2004 Thomson Derwent

Set	Items	Description
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S2	69221	(SIZE?? OR DEGREE?? OR AMOUNT?? OR VOLUME?? OR DIMENSION?? OR HEIGHT?? OR GROW??? OR WIDT?? OR INTENSITY?? OR DENSIT??)(- 5N)(HSG OR HSGS OR (HEMISPHERICAL??())GRAIN??) OR GRAIN??)
S3	149466	PIXEL?? OR PEL OR (PICTURE??())ELEMENT??) OR SUB()PIX?? OR - SUBPIXEL??
S4	7451	(THRESHOLD?? OR PREDETERMIN??? OR LIMIT??)(5N) S3
S5	1707461	IMAGE?? OR PHOTOGRAPH?? OR PICTURE? ? OR PHOTO??
S6	1914	RATIO??(5N)(PIXEL?? OR PEL OR (PICTURE??())ELEMENT??) OR SU- B()PIX?? OR SUBPIXEL??)
S7	2787	SEM OR SCANNING??(3N)MICROSCOPY??
S8	74750	AU=(JUN C? OR JUN, C? OR CHON S? OR CHON, S? OR CHOI S? OR CHOI, S? OR KIM K? OR KIM, K? OR LEE S? OR LEE, S? OR YANG Y? OR YANG, Y? OR KIM S? OR KIM, S?)
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S10	0	S9 AND S4 AND S5
S11	0	S9 AND S4
S12	42	S9 AND S3
S13	1	S12 AND S6
S14	0	S13 AND S7
S15	1069	S1 AND S7
S16	1	S12 AND S7
S17	1	S16 NOT S13
S18	21	S15 AND S3
S19	20	S18 NOT (S16 OR S13)
S20	12	S19 NOT AD=20001019:20041014/PR
S21	12340	S8 AND S1
S22	32	S21 AND S2
S23	0	S22 AND S4 AND S5
S24	0	S22 AND S4
S25	1	S22 AND S3

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WPI Acc No: 2002-589479/200263  
XRPX Acc No: N02-467729

Grain growth degree **analysis method for semiconductor wafer , involves calculating ratio of pixels whose standardized values exceed preset value, to that of total pixels in target zone of image file of wafer**

Patent Assignee: SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO LTD (SMSU ); CHOI S (CHOI-I); CHON S (CHON-I); JUN C (JUNC-I); KIM K (KIMK-I); KIM S (KIMS-I); LEE S (LEES-I); YANG Y (YANG-I)

Inventor: CHOI S; CHON S; JUN C; KIM K; KIM S; LEE S; YANG Y; CHOI S B; JUN C S; JUN S M; KIM G W; KIM S M; LEE S G; LEE S H; YANG Y S; JEON C S; JEON S M

Number of Countries: 005 Number of Patents: 006

Patent Family:

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JP 2002228607	A	20020814	JP 2001313076	A	20011010	200268
KR 2002030674	A	20020425	KR 200061717	A	20001019	200269
KR 347764	B	20020809	KR 200061717	A	20001019	200311
DE 10151396	A1	20030508	DE 1051396	A	20011018	200331
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JP 2002228607	A		16	G01N-023/225	
KR 2002030674	A			H01L-021/66	
KR 347764	B			H01L-021/66	Previous Publ. patent KR 2002030674
DE 10151396	A1			H01L-021/66	
TW 521363	A			H01L-021/66	

Grain growth degree **analysis method for semiconductor wafer , involves calculating ratio of pixels whose standardized values exceed preset value, to that of total pixels in target zone of image file of wafer**

Abstract (Basic):

... is selected from an image file generated by scanning a specific surface portion of a **semiconductor wafer** (30). An image data of the **pixels** in the target zone are standardized and compared with a preset threshold value. The **grain growth degree** is determined by obtaining a **ratio of pixels** whose image values exceed the preset value, to that of the total **pixels** in the zone.

... An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for **grain growth degree analysis apparatus**...

...For analyzing **grain growth degree in semiconductor wafer** .

...Analyzes the distribution degree of unevenness with respect to the surface of the **wafer** . Determines **grain growth** rate accurately and rapidly. Increases productivity by reducing analysis time and by improving quality of...

...The figure shows an exploded schematic view of the **grain growth**  
**degree** analysis apparatus...

... **Semiconductor wafer** (30  
...Title Terms: **SEMICONDUCTOR** ;

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WPI Acc No: 1984-147596/198424

XRPX Acc No: N84-109740

**Automatic object dimension measuring appts. - has scanning electron microscope with dimension measuring section and is for metal crystal, sub- grain boundary, powder particle size**  
Patent Assignee: TOKYO SHIBAURA DENKI KK (TOKE )  
Inventor: KANO M; NAKAO S; OKUMURA K; YAMAJI H  
Number of Countries: 005 Number of Patents: 004  
Patent Family:

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EP 110301	A	19840613	EP 83111669	A	19831122	198424 B
US 4567364	A	19860128	US 83554717	A	19831123	198607
EP 110301	B	19891108				198945
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Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 82207698 A 19821129

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Designated States (Regional): DE FR GB NL

**... has scanning electron microscope with dimension measuring section and is for metal crystal, sub- grain boundary, powder particle size**

...Abstract (Basic): The scanning electron microscope ( **SEM** ) seams a beam onto a sample, e.g. a **semiconductor wafer** to obtain an image signal corresponding to the sample. An enlarged image of the sample...

...setter which displays cursors on the CRT and a memory which receives signals divided into **picture elements** and stores them as image data. A CPU section receives the stored image data corresponding...

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04623430 \*\*Image available\*\*  
PICTURE PROCESSING METHOD

PUB. NO.: 06-295330 [JP 6295330 A]  
PUBLISHED: October 21, 1994 (19941021)  
INVENTOR(s): RYUZAKI KOJI  
APPLICANT(s): TOSHIBA CORP [000307] (A Japanese Company or Corporation), JP  
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APPL. NO.: 05-081822 [JP 9381822]  
FILED: April 08, 1993 (19930408)  
JOURNAL: Section: , Section No. FFFFFFFF, Vol. 94, No. 10, Pg. FFFFFFFF,  
FF, FFFF (FFFFFFFF)

...JAPIO KEYWORD:Super High Density **Integrated Circuits** , LSI & GS

ABSTRACT

... accuracy of pattern existence, a defect, etc., by processing picture data with uneven gradation, correcting **SEM** picture data including the objective pattern and removing the unevenness of gradation...

... processing by using a filter matrix at least over N times the range of one **picture element** in the 1st picture data and obtaining the 2nd picture data (C) and the 3rd...

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04315909 \*\*Image available\*\*  
METHOD FOR EXTRACTING PATTERN FEATURE

PUB. NO.: 05-307609 [JP 5307609 A]  
PUBLISHED: November 19, 1993 (19931119)  
INVENTOR(s): KOMATSU BUNRO  
APPLICANT(s): TOSHIBA CORP [000307] (A Japanese Company or Corporation), JP  
(Japan)  
APPL. NO.: 03-086362 [JP 9186362]  
FILED: March 26, 1991 (19910326)  
JOURNAL: Section: P, Section No. 1700, Vol. 18, No. 121, Pg. 107,  
February 25, 1994 (19940225)

...JAPIO KEYWORD:Super High Density **Integrated Circuits** , LSI & GS

ABSTRACT

...CONSTITUTION: An electron microscope ( **SEM** ) image is inputted, its observed image is inputted to a frame memory and stored as an original image and then (normal) logarithmical conversion processing is applied to respective **picture elements** (PEs) in the original image. Then N-digit-advance conversion processing is applied to respective...

... memory are searched by an image processor to detect the positions of a pattern. The **pel** addresses of the detected positions are counted up in the X and Y directions, the size value of each **pel** is considered for the sum of the addresses to find out the diameter or peripheral...

... the area of the hole is found out while considering the size value of

each pel .

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03627867 \*\*Image available\*\*  
DENSITY TRANSFORMING METHOD FOR SEM PICTURE AND SEM PICTURE TRANSFORMER

PUB. NO.: 03-290767 [JP 3290767 A]  
PUBLISHED: December 20, 1991 (19911220)  
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ITO MINORU  
APPLICANT(s): NIPPON TELEGR & TELEPH CORP <NTT> [000422] (A Japanese  
Company or Corporation), JP (Japan)  
APPL. NO.: 02-092266 [JP 9092266]  
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March 27, 1992 (19920327)

DENSITY TRANSFORMING METHOD FOR SEM PICTURE AND SEM PICTURE TRANSFORMER

#### ABSTRACT

... obtain pictures, which can be easily observed, corresponding to the specific ity of an electric circuit board by setting the upper limit value of a luminance value to be transformed and...  
... using the reference substrate of a material and a work process equal to the electric circuit board of an observation object...

...CONSTITUTION: A reference substrate 100 and a picture 200 of a scanner type electronic microscope ( SEM ) are prepared with the materials and work processes equal to an electric circuit board 101 to be observed, and distribution is calculated for the luminance value of the SEM picture 200. From this luminance value distribution, the upper limit luminance value is set. When the luminance value exceeds the upper limit luminance value for each picture element of a SEM picture 201 of the electric circuit board 201, the luminance value is made equal to the upper limit luminance value. When...

... by the luminance value transform function. Thus, density observation transformation is enabled for observing the SEM picture 201 of the electric circuit board 101.

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014421284 \*\*Image available\*\*  
WPI Acc No: 2002-241987/200229  
XRAM Acc No: C02-072880  
XRPX Acc No: N02-186830

Detecting binding of members of a binding pair, by interacting solid support on which first member of binding pair is immobilized and arrayed, with second member, determining spatial distribution of second member  
Patent Assignee: EL MUL TECHNOLOGIES LTD (ELMU-N); YEDA RES & DEV CO LTD (YEDA ); ZIK O (ZIKO-I)  
Inventor: LEVIT-BINNUN N; LINDNER A; MOSES E; ZIK O  
Number of Countries: 097 Number of Patents: 003

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
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AU 200180075	A	20020225	AU 200180075	A	20010816	200245
EP 1315957	A2	20030604	EP 2001958357	A	20010816	200337
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Designated States (Regional): AL AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT  
LI LT LU LV MC MK NL PT RO SE SI TR

Abstract (Basic):

... a sample at almost atmospheric pressure. The method can also be carried out with a **Wafer** Inspection Scanning Electron Microscope (WISEM), thus greatly reducing the cost of instrumentation required to implement...

...The figure shows the longitudinal cross-section of an Scanning Electron Microscope ( **SEM** ) used as a preparate analysis apparatus...

Extension Abstract:

... at a 20 microm resolution. Intensity was determined by taking the average intensity of the **pixels** in corresponding spots in all slides and reducing the average intensity of the **pixels** immediately surrounding the corresponding spots. The gold-probes slides were visualized with a scanning electron microscope ( **SEM** ). Images of 48 microm squared (for 40 nm gold colloids) or 12 microm squared sized...

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WPI Acc No: 1999-228827/199919

Related WPI Acc No: 2000-637468

XRPX Acc No: N99-169320

**Pattern image processing apparatus using scanning electron microscope ( SEM ) for VLSI element**

Patent Assignee: TOSHIBA KK (TOKE )

Inventor: KOMATSU F; MOTOKI H; TSUBUSAKI K

Number of Countries: 003 Number of Patents: 004

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 5887080	A	19990323	US 95379962	A	19950127	199919 B
JP 7220077	A	19950818	JP 948711	A	19940128	199919
KR 264338	B1	20000816	KR 951766	A	19950128	200134
JP 3490490	B2	20040126	JP 948711	A	19940128	200410

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 948711 A 19940128

Patent Details:

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JP 7220077	A		7	G06T-007/00	
KR 264338	B1			G06T-001/00	
JP 3490490	B2		8	G06T-001/00	Previous Publ. patent JP 7220077

**Pattern image processing apparatus using scanning electron microscope ( SEM ) for VLSI element**

**Abstract (Basic):**

... An A/D converter (11) converts the analog image data supplied from **SEM** (1) into digital data. A spatial filter (12) smoothens the digital image data. A histogram processing unit (13) outputs the summation of **pixels** of smoothed image data corresponding to gray level degree. A threshold value setting unit (14) detects two portions at which the **pixel** number of histogram decreases and sets gray level value of these portions as threshold value...

...pattern within pattern images in which successive hole patterns are repeated on very large scale **integration circuit** (VLSI...

...The comparison and detection of the same or similar patterns repeated in the **SEM** image are performed by using the area of the pattern and are not performed on...

... **SEM** (1

...Title Terms: **SEM** ;

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 WPI Acc No: 1998-076521/199807  
 XRPX Acc No: N98-061180

**Integrated circuit layout and dimension mapping method - setting and adjusting magnification, voltage and scan of scanning electron microscope using number of selective algorithms**

Patent Assignee: US SEC OF ARMY (USSA )  
 Inventor: SARTORE R G

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

**Patent Family:**

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 5703361	A	19971230	US 96649826	A	19960430	199807 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 96649826 A 19960430

**Patent Details:**

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 5703361	A		5	G01N-023/225	

**Integrated circuit layout and dimension mapping method...**

...Abstract (Basic): The method comprises scanning an area of interest on the **integrated circuit** with a beam of electrons within a scanning electron microscope ( **SEM** ), the beam having its' energy level adjusted to irradiate both the insulation material and the conductive layer, monitoring x-ray radiation synchronously with the scanning, at X-Y **pixel** locations within the area of interest, storing a first map of the x-ray radiation monitored at each X-Y **pixel** location during the scanning, re-scanning the area of interest with a beam of electrons...



...and monitoring the x-ray radiation synchronously with the re-scanning,  
 at the X-Y **pixel** locations and storing a second map of the x-ray  
 radiation monitored at each X-Y **pixel** location during the re-scanning  
 ...

...The method further comprises subtracting the x-ray radiation monitored  
 at each X-Y **pixel** location for the second map from the x-ray  
 radiation monitored at each X-Y **pixel** location for the first map, to  
 derive a third map from the x-ray radiation that relates to only the  
 conductive layer at each X-Y **pixel** location...

...USE - Mapping the lateral dimensions and positions of a conductive layer  
 of an **integrated circuit** .  
 ...

...electron beam is adjusted to produce an enhanced map of the conductive  
 layers on the **integrated circuit chip** .

...Title Terms: **CIRCUIT** ;

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010561099 \*\*Image available\*\*  
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 XRPX Acc No: N96-048477

**Image features extraction method for SEM - by creating non-linear image  
 enhancement pixels to convert to valued process pixels and partially  
 differentiating in X and Y direction to detect boundary of feature**

Patent Assignee: TOSHIBA KK (TOKE )  
 Inventor: KOMATSU F  
 Number of Countries: 003 Number of Patents: 003  
 Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
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			US 94266096	A	19940627	
KR 9613370	B1	19961004	KR 924575	A	19920320	199927
JP 3034975	B2	20000417	JP 9186362	A	19910326	200024

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 9186362 A 19910326

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
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JP 3034975	B2		5	G06T-009/20	Previous Publ. patent JP 5307609
KR 9613370	B1			G06F-015/70	

**Image features extraction method for SEM - ...**

**...by creating non-linear image enhancement pixels to convert to valued  
 process pixels and partially differentiating in X and Y direction to  
 detect boundary of feature**

...Abstract (Basic): electron microscope in a frame memory. A logarithmic  
 conversion process is performed for each image **pixel** to create  
 non-linear image enhancement **pixels** . Each non-linear image  
 enhancement **pixels** is assigned to a different group each having a  
 corresponding **pixel** value. The **pixels** are converted into valued

process **pixels** . Each valued process **pixel** in each different group has a corresponding **pixel** value. Threshold values for the valued process are obtained by dividing the whole range of gray levels of the **pixels** by a predetermined value...

...The **pixels** are partially differentiated in X- and Y-directions by the CPU. It makes '0' the gray levels of **pixels** within the same area divided by the valued process and makes only the boundary between...  
...desired feature of the image is determined by detecting the boundary from the partially differentiated **pixels** .  
...

...USE/ADVANTAGE - For e.g. pattern obtained during VLSI **circuit** mfr., makes possible extraction of pattern features from single **SEM** image for subject that may be damaged by **SEM** electron beams or suffer change-up due to frame accumulation  
...Title Terms: **SEM** ;

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010264197 \*\*Image available\*\*  
WPI Acc No: 1995-165452/199522  
XRPX Acc No: N95-129968

Semiconductor: **device mfg for display element substrate - applies second pattern formation process which forms wiring electrode linked to pixel electrode and drain side of semiconductor area NoAbstract**

Patent Assignee: SONY CORP (SONY )  
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001  
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
JP 7086611	A	19950331	JP 93255179	A	19930917	199522 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 93255179 A 19930917

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
JP 7086611	A		8 H01L-029/786	

Semiconductor **device mfg for display element substrate...**

...applies second pattern formation process which forms wiring electrode linked to pixel electrode and drain side of semiconductor area  
**NoAbstract**

Title Terms: **SEMICONDUCTOR** ;

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009973374 \*\*Image available\*\*  
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XRPX Acc No: N94-190053

**Dimension measuring method for improved precision of particle beam metrology - setting upper and lower reference levels, performing preliminary scan, determining percentage of time intervals that signal lies outside range and adjusting reference levels and offset level**  
Patent Assignee: METROLOGIX (METR-N)

Inventor: TORO-LIRA G L; ZMRZLI R  
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001  
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 5332898	A	19940726	US 9375515	A	19930614	199429 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 9375515 A 19930614

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 5332898	A	10	G01N-023/225	

...Abstract (Basic): In other words, the percentage of 'outliers' in a profile, that is the number of **pixels** that exceed full scale in a video range, is limited to a predetermined percentage, for...

...USE/ADVANTAGE - Critical dimension measurements of, eg **integrated circuit wafers** using , eg scanning electron microscope. Reduces harmonic distortion introduced during signal acquisition and signal processing...

...Title Terms: **SEM** ;

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WPI Acc No: 1994-154228/199419  
XRPX Acc No: N94-121207

**SEM display method e.g. for analysing semiconductor device electrical contact-point hole - determining distribution of pixels for each signal amt., and ratio of amt. and CRT luminance for contrast correction**

NoAbstract

Patent Assignee: JEOL CO LTD (NIDS )  
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001  
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
JP 6096711	A	19940408	JP 92244777	A	19920914	199419 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 92244777 A 19920914

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
JP 6096711	A	5	H01J-037/22	

**SEM display method e.g. for analysing semiconductor device electrical contact-point hole...**

...determining distribution of pixels for each signal amt., and ratio of amt. and CRT luminance for contrast correction NoAbstract

Title Terms: **SEM** ;

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009651544 \*\*Image available\*\*  
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XRPX Acc No: N93-266420

**Fast scanning electron microscope for real-time observation of dynamically loaded material micro-structural response - uses magnetic**

**deflection coil with lower inductance from reduced number of turns in saddle coil wires and with increased diameter of wires**

Patent Assignee: KACHINA TECHNOLOGIES INC (KACH-N)

Inventor: MACKINNON I D R; ROSS T J; WANG M L

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

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US 5254857	A	19931019	US 91708505	A	19910531	199343 B
			US 92963038	A	19921019	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 91708505 A 19910531; US 92963038 A 19921019

Patent Details:

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US 5254857	A	15	H01J-037/28	Cont of application US 91708505
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...Abstract (Basic): The **SEM** includes a high speed continuous scanning electron microscope with a spatial resolution of less than...

...a metallic rod, with a rapid electrical pulse applied to the coil, and the continuous **SEM** and the tension and compression shock wave generator are synchronized, so that a succession of...

...Pref. the continuous **SEM** includes low inductance electron beam magnetic deflection coils with ns rise times and adapted to...

...USE/ADVANTAGE - E.g. **semiconductor** film recrystallisation, solid phase transition high temp. superconductor studies, **IC** inspection and metrology. High magnification, large depth of field with temporal resolution less than 100 mus; allows for scan rate of 381 frames per second and 256multiplied by128 **pixel** density in **SEM** image at data acquisition rate of 25 MHz...

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XRFX Acc No: N85-158706

**Data format conversion for output to peripheral - has intelligent peripheral effecting conversion for input to printer or VDU**

Patent Assignee: CITIZEN WATCH CO LTD (CITL )

Number of Countries: 003 Number of Patents: 005

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
DE 3505314	A	19850822	DE 3505314	A	19850215	198535 B
GB 2154348	A	19850904	GB 853755	A	19850214	198536
GB 2154348	B	19870507				198718
US 4691364	A	19870901	US 85701220	A	19850213	198737
DE 3505314	C	19890105				198902

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...Abstract (Equivalent): double size and of 8-bit patterns to 6-bit patterns. The bit pattern conversion **circuit** comprises a decoder (DEM) with address signals, **chip** selects signal, write command and

output enable signal inputs from a processor, a data latching...

...to horizontal conversion and expansion, a summing module (ORM) containing OR-gates, a select module ( **SEM** ) producing MSB to LSB conversion and drivers (DR...

...USE/ADVANTAGE - Conversion of input **pixel** data to output data compatible with printer or video display. Provides automatic conversion of bit...

...Abstract (Equivalent): data write signal, data latch means constituting an m-row X m-column matrix memory **circuit** ; (2) first data readout means including m groups of gate sections which constitute row-column conversion means, each group of gate sections having n logical product **circuits** having first and second input terminals, the first input terminals of said n logical product **circuits**, of one section of said m groups of gate sections being connected respectively to n...

...flow of said data latch means, the second input terminals of said n logical product **circuits** being connected in common to form a data readout terminal for a corresponding one group...

...bit to 6 bit conversion means, each group of gate sections having m logical product **circuits** having first and second input terminals, the first input terminals of said m logical product **circuits** of one of said plural groups of gate sections being connected to predetermined memory elements...

...sections of said data latch means, the second input terminals of the m logical product **circuits** of one of said plural groups of gate sections being connected in common to form...

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Grain growth degree analysis method for semiconductor wafer ,  
involves calculating ratio of pixels whose standardized values exceed  
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Grain growth degree analysis method for semiconductor wafer ,  
involves calculating ratio of pixels whose standardized values exceed  
preset value, to that of total pixels in target zone of image file of  
wafer

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... LEE S H ...

... YANG Y S

Abstract (Basic):

... is selected from an image file generated by scanning a specific surface portion of a **semiconductor wafer** (30). An image data of the **pixels** in the target zone are standardized and compared with a preset threshold value. The **grain growth degree** is determined by obtaining a ratio of **pixels** whose image values exceed the preset value, to that of the total **pixels** in the zone.

... An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for **grain growth degree** analysis apparatus...

...For analyzing **grain growth degree** in **semiconductor wafer** .

...

...Analyzes the distribution degree of unevenness with respect to the surface of the **wafer** . Determines **grain growth** rate accurately and rapidly. Increases productivity by reducing analysis time and by improving quality of...

...The figure shows an exploded schematic view of the **grain growth degree** analysis apparatus...

... **Semiconductor wafer** (30

...Title Terms: **SEMICONDUCTOR** ;

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**Microtexture analysis in aluminum thin films.**

Field, David P.; Dingley, David J.

Solid State Technology, v38, n11, p91(5)

Nov, 1995

ISSN: 0038-111X

LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 3073

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TEXT:

...of the interconnect lines processed from aluminum thin-film structures. Orientation imaging microscopy (OIM), a **SEM**-based imaging technique for analyzing the crystallographic structure of materials, has recently been extended to...

... back-scattering diffraction

and orientation imaging microscopy

EBSD is now a well-established technique in **scanning electron microscopy** for obtaining crystallographic data from specimens. When coupled with OIM, it is proving to be...

...form

(MATHEMATICAL EXPRESSION NOT REPRODUCIBLE IN ASCII)

where (x,y) are the coordinates of a **pixel** in the **image** of the EBSD pattern and (Epsilon) takes values from 0 to 180. Each straight line in the **image** transforms to one combined value of ((Rho), (Epsilon)). This can be seen by transposing the...

...Epsilon).

To apply the transform, a two-dimensional accumulator array ((Rho), (Epsilon)) is assigned. The **pixel** intensity at a location (x,y) is measured and that intensity added to the accumulator...

...equation 1 for the given value of (x,y). This process is repeated for all **pixels** (x,y). The summed intensity values in the accumulator are larger for ((Rho), (Epsilon)) values that correspond to a straight line in the **image** that lies along a bright Kikuchi band. The values of ((Rho), (Epsilon)) with the largest...may be important. Considerable microstructure evolution occurs between the thin-film stage and the patterned **wafer** stage of processing. **Grain size** and **grain** boundary structure invariably evolve to lower energy states dependent upon interconnect line geometry.

Conclusion

No...

...23A, pp. 759-767 (1992).

(18.) N.C. Krieger Lassen, D. Juul Jensen, K. Conradsen, **Scanning Microscopy** 6 pp. 115-121 (1992).

(19.) K. Kunze, S.I. Wright, B.L. Adams, D...

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**Analysis of wheel topography and grit force for grinding process modeling**

Hecker, Rogelio L; Ramoneda, Igor M; Liang, Steven Y  
Journal of Manufacturing Processes v5n1 PP: 13-23 2003  
ISSN: 1526-6125 JRNL CODE: JMFP  
WORD COUNT: 4079

...ABSTRACT: the grinding wheel topography to evaluate static parameters of the wheel such as the effective **grain** diameter and the static **grain density** as function of the radial distance from the wheel surface. To model the force at each **grain**, the dynamic **grain density** is deduced from the static **grain density** while considering the kinematic effects such as the shadows generated by active grains and the...

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... measured on the wheel at a depth relative to the overall engagement, depends on the **grain size**, wheel porosity, and dressing conditions.

The work of Verkerk and Peters (1977) reviewed different methods...

...to the grain tip geometry.

This paper presents a 3-D methodology to measure the **grain** geometry and the static **grain density** as a function of the wheel penetration. This static **grain density** is then modified to account for kinematic and dynamic effects to calculate the dynamic **grain density**. A model for force per **grain** considering **chip** thickness as a stochastic variable is formulated to incorporate the dynamic effects of grain local... and sufficiently reflective to be useful for the optical interferometry.

The resolution of a microscope **image** is 2.2 x 2.2 microns per **pixel**. Each digitized **image** is processed to extract the wheel surface information in the context of average cutting edge...

...all four individual cross sections.

Figure 1

Wheel Surface Replication

Figure 2

Binary 2-D **Image** from Wheel Surface (180 x 180 **pixels**)

The data are subsequently used to calculate the grain diameter and the static grain density...hardness, the cutting edge effective diameter, and the undeformed chip thickness.  
Model Prediction

The dynamic **grain density**, Eq. (6), is a function of the undeformed **chip** thickness,  $h$ . However, the dynamic **grain density** itself is a governing factor for **chip** thickness; therefore, its determination is of a closed-loop nature. It was suggested in Hecker and Liang (2003) that this process can be modeled using **chip** thickness as a probabilistic random variable, which was expected to assume a Rayleigh probability density...

... HRC, and the tool was an aluminum oxide specified as 5SG465IVS. The determination of dynamic **grain density** and the force per **grain** requires knowledge of the tool condition and material properties, including the spring constant equivalent for...be concluded that the grain deflection and kinematic shadow play secondary effects on the dynamic **grain density**. On the other hand, the depth of engagement,  $z$ , calculated using the **chip** thickness value is the main factor.

Figure 6

Normal and Tangential Forces

The normal and...

... can be a consequence of the dressing conditions imposed on the wheel surface.

The dynamic **grain density** was calculated from the static **grain density** and dynamic effects such as the kinematic shadow generated by active grains and the grain local deflection. The main variable that determines the dynamic **grain density** was the depth of engagement measured radially into the wheel, which is governed by the undeformed **chip** thickness.

The prediction of the normal and the tangential force per grain is presented based...

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**Big jobs are going to micro-machines**  
Brown, Stuart F  
Fortune v139n9 PP: 128B-128H May 10, 1999  
ISSN: 0015-8259 JRNL CODE: FOR  
WORD COUNT: 4071

...TEXT: each silicon wafer.

(Photograph Omitted)

Captioned as: Safety lock The small photos show gears the **size** of a pollen **grain** (left) that spin in the prototype "stronglink" (center) developed by Sandia Laboratories for a nuclear bomb. The dozens of components, "grown" fully assembled, all fit on a tiny **chip**.

Analog, a publicly held company whose sales hit \$1.2 billion in 1998, has shipped... as stadium spectators who display color cards on command to create images.

The mirrors form **pictures** by flipping into or out of each color's light path at the correct instant...

...per second. By popping up to supply the correct color the mirrors behave like reflecting **pixels** to form a much brighter and crisper **image**, with truer colors, than is possible with conventional equipment. Brightness gradations within a frame are achieved by varying the on-time of the individual mirrors. The **image** the DLP creates is projected through a second lens onto a viewing screen.

Who could...

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**Eye tech**

Callahan, Sean

Forbes ASAP Supplement PP: 57-67 Jun 7, 1993

ISSN: 0015-6914 JRNL CODE: FBR

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...TEXT: NASA) was Eli Arazi, founder of Scitex, the Bedford, Mass., maker of workstations dedicated to **image** processing. Originally started in Israel in 1968 as Scientific Technology, the company first used electronic ...

...separation negatives for printing presses that included software for the manipulation of the most minute **picture elements** ( **pixels** ). Thus, the age of electronic retouching was born.

By 1988, with increased CPU speeds and...technological barrier, however, is the manufacture of a CCD array that can match, on a **pixel -to- pixel** basis, the information in a **photographic** negative of comparable **size**. Today's fine- **grained** 35mm films can capture the equivalent of approximately 18 million **pixels** of usable **photographic** data. The state-of-the-art Kodak DCS 200 digital camera (a modified Nikon 8008 SLR with a Kodak CCD **chip** ) registers just 1.6 million **pixels**.

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**Eye Tech: With digital imaging, computer manipulation, CD-ROM photo storage and madcap morphists transforming the traditional structures of the photography busi**

Forbes, p857

June 7, 1993

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

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**Q2 2003 Kopin Corporation Earnings Conference Call - Part 1**  
FAIR DISCLOSURE WIRE  
July 04, 2003  
JOURNAL CODE: WFDW LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
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... industry's smallest microdisplays to approximately half their previous size. They are now about the **size** of a **grain** of rice. Responding to the needs of customer electronic OEMs, these displays enable our customer...

... We also introduced a color filter VGA, a .4 inch diagonal 640 x 480 color **pixel** display, which is now the world's smallest lowest power color filter VGA resolution display...

... a new consumer product application and revolutionize artists through these low-power (inaudible) and stunning **image** quality. Along with our three new displays, we are introducing several new electronic viewfinder systems...

... late last fall. With an ATV (ph) greenfield view, the CyberEVF 180K gives a virtual **image** of a 19 inch screen at a distance of 5 feet. To introduce this (technical...in Q3 HBT sales as that customer worked out his remaining inventory of second source **wafers**. We do understand that this is only a third quarter event. Longer term, this (inaudible...

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04298614 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 17200558 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Scenes from a marriage - of optics and electronics.(Conference on Lasers and Electro-Optics and the Quantum Electronics and Laser Science**

**conference meeting briefs)**

Service, Robert F.

Science, v268, n5218, p1702(2)

June 23, 1995

ISSN: 0036-8075

LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract

WORD COUNT: 1248

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... T-rays to a fine point, which is then scanned over the material to be **imaged**. Another lens collects the rays as they emerge from the other side of the target...

...to stored templates to identify the chemical composition of the material at each point, or **pixel**. As the scan progresses over a couple of minutes, tens of thousands of **pixels** are assembled into an overall **image**.

Because water is such a strong absorber of T-rays, the technique can image water...

...matching holes on a palm-top game board. In this case, the ball bearings are **grain - sized semiconductor** lasers that resemble tiny pyramids with their tops lopped off; the holes are divots with a matching shape, carved in a silicon **wafer**.

To place these lasers in their slots, the researchers simply mix them with ethanol to...

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04509383 H.W. WILSON RECORD NUMBER: BGSA01009383 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Little big screen.**

Sherman, Erik

Technology Review (Cambridge, Mass.: 1998) v. 104 no5 (June 2001) p. 64-9

SPECIAL FEATURES: il ISSN: 1099-274X

LANGUAGE: English

COUNTRY OF PUBLICATION: United States

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**TEXT:**

... of Sunnyvale, CA, for example, makes a handheld device that, in conjunction with glasses, offers **images** 800 **pixels** across and 600 **pixels** high--the same resolution as a standard 35.5-centimeter desktop monitor. Large companies are...

...with Sony's Glasstron and the Eye-Trek from Olympus both giving the viewer an **image** equivalent to a 132-centimeter screen seen from about two meters away.

Of course, this...ingenious solution does away with screens altogether. Microvision, a Bothell, WA, manufacturer, actually projects an **image**, **pixel** by **pixel**, directly onto the viewer's retina. The approach is similar to cathode-ray projection in...

...head-mounted prototype "Nomad"--scheduled for market release this fall--creates a clear, see-through **image** at arm's length even under the brightest daylight conditions. Eurocontrol, the organization that oversees ...board collapses into a compact unit the size of the PDA.

No Monitor Required

A **semiconductor chip** controls red, green and blue light-emitting diodes, each the **size** of a **grain** of salt. The diodes turn on and off according to the color needed for the...

...the light onto a central micromirror.

The micromirror tilts side to side, shining the final **image** onto the retina one **pixel** at a time.

The technology used in these goggles can also be incorporated into cell...

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03778310 H.W. WILSON RECORD NUMBER: BGS198028310 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Digital cameras.**

McCreary, Michael D

Scientific American v. 278 no6 (June 1998) p. 102

SPECIAL FEATURES: il ISSN: 0036-8733

LANGUAGE: English

COUNTRY OF PUBLICATION: United States

WORD COUNT: 425

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TEXT:

... or from a reconnaissance satellite in space.

A CCD is an array of light-sensitive **picture elements**, or **pixels**, each measuring five to 25 microns across. The camera's lens focuses the scene onto this **pixel** array. Just as the resolution of conventional **photographic** film is related to the **size** of the **grain**, the resolution of a CCD **chip** is measured by the number of **pixels** in the array. A digital still camera intended mainly for nonprofessional use has an array of, typically, 640 by 480 **pixels**; a top-of-the-line professional camera would have an array of millions of **pixels**.

CCD chips are fabricated in a process that requires hundreds of steps and several weeks...

...Microelectronics Division

Eastman Kodak

Photo/Graphic: PHOTONS that fall into the collection region of a **picture element**, or **pixel**, free electrons from the semiconductor's crystal lattice. Thus, the more light falling on the **pixel**, the more electrons that are liberated. Electrical fields trap and isolate the mobile electrons in one **pixel** from those of other **pixels** until the electrons can be read out as an indication of how much light fell on the **pixel**. A tiny color filter over each **pixel** allows **photons** of only one color to pass through into a **pixel**'s collection region.

Photo /Graphic: **PIXELS** are monochrome, so color filters must be used to record a scene's hues. In...

...digital cameras, a color filter array (above) registers the intensity of one color at each **pixel**. Algorithms then consider the color intensities at nearby **pixels** to estimate, by interpolation, the intensity of the other colors at that **pixel**. This information is then used to generate a full-color **image** (below). ...



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11950929 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 61203161 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Pentacene organic thin-film transistors and ICs.**  
Klauk, Hagen; Jackson, Thomas N.  
Solid State Technology, 43, 3, 63  
March, 2000  
ISSN: 0038-111X LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext  
WORD COUNT: 3490 LINE COUNT: 00288

... mobility, a large on/off current ratio is required for TFTs to be useful as **pixel** -addressing devices in active matrix displays and **imagers**. Small TFT subthreshold slope and near-zero threshold voltage are also important to reduce the...

...roughness of 1A, and the deposited pentacene film shows good molecular ordering with large, micron- **sized grains**. For comparison, Fig. 2c shows an AFM image of a pentacene film deposited onto the...

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**So you want to make slides? Choosing the right film recorder.**  
Carroll, Seamus  
AVC Presentation Development & Delivery, v26, n2, p46(4)  
Feb, 1992  
ISSN: 1062-2683 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
WORD COUNT: 2693 LINE COUNT: 00209

... CRT (5 to 7 inches diagonal), the sharper the images. When the CRT's phosphor **grains** are more uniformly small in **size**, the images will also appear sharper. In addition, the longer the CRT tube, the easier...be resolved on a given scan line, the finer the spot and the sharper the **image**. Yes and no. There needs to be a balance between the spot size and the...

...If the spot size is too small, there will be noticeable gaps in the final **image**. If the spot size is too large, **pixels** overlap and **image** sharpness is sacrificed.

For 35mm slides, a 4k (4096 X 2732 image is now the...

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00675983  
**France: The French National Center for Research on Telecommunications (CNET) is using laser annealing in development of large-screen TV to solve a key component problem--fabrication of large circuit arrays.**  
Laser Focus February, 1981 p. 40,42+

Such arrays would combine some control **circuitry** with the **picture**

-generating elements, thereby simplifying electrical connections to the matrix of **picture elements** which comprise the screen. The proposed display would be a sandwich, with the front layer...

... response to electrical control signals. The bottom layer would be a silicon-on-glass thinfilm **circuit**. Research on the use of laser annealing to increase the **grain size** of silicon deposited on glass, and thereby improve the electrical properties of the control **circuit**, was described in several papers from CNET at the Opto 80 conference (Paris) 9/30...

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01312460 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 07701818 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Point-and-click image analysis. (image processing development systems)**  
(technical)

Flanagan, Dennis E.  
ESD: The Electronic System Design Magazine, v19, n9, p53(4)  
Sept, 1989  
DOCUMENT TYPE: technical ISSN: 0893-2565 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH  
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... useful for repetitive use of effective image enhancement procedures--for example, processing images of metallic **wafers**. In this case, the distribution of **grain size** in photoelectric metal substrates needed to be measured. Average **grain size** reveals important information about the photoelectric properties and the efficiency of the material.

Using Optimas...

...all metal grains within the field of view can be calculated to provide statistics about **grain sizes** for substrate **wafers**. Unfortunately, the metal surface presented noise, making it difficult to detect edges of the grains...

...nearly impossible to count them by simply setting a threshold.

To overcome this problem, the **image** was treated with a median filter; then, a Roberts edge detection was performed. It was...

...counting. The median filter, a 3 X 3 convolution, diminishes noise by replacing the target **pixel** with the median of neighboring **pixels**. The Roberts filter is a two-pass edge detection that finds the grain boundaries while...

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**THE LIGHT FANTASTIC: OPTOELECTRONICS MAY REVOLUTIONIZE COMPUTERS--AND A LOT MORE**

John Carey in Washington, with Neil Gross in Tokyo  
Business Week, May 10, 1993, Number 3318, Pg 44  
JOURNAL CODE: BW  
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regions in the **semiconductor** . When light bounces back and forth between the mirrors, it's amplified until it's...

...make a pure beam of a single wavelength, or color, of light. This device, the **size** of a **grain** of salt, is a **semiconductor** laser. Today, these are at the core of CD players and many other products.

Semiconductor...radical shift in the way a computer processes information. "The real advantage is that an **image** not a bit is the unit of information," says Purdue University physicist David Nolte. "One **image** can contain 1 billion bits." To match fingerprints, for example, computers now search for similarities between two **pictures** by comparing the thousands of individual **pixels** , or dots, that make up each **image** . An optical processor, by contrast, can overlay two **images** and immediately spot similarities. University of Colorado computer scientist Kristina M. Johnson is using this...

SPECIAL FEATURE:  
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AT&T, IBM, Honeywell,  
Martin Marietta  
ILLUSTRATION by jared schneidman  
DATA: OPTOELECTRONIC TECHNOLOGY CONSORTIUM

**Photograph** : A force to be reckoned with David Miller's team at bell labs has built superfast experimental hybrids called smart **pixels** --chips with arrays of both lasers and transistors

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Photograph: Seeing the light...

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**New motion estimation algorithm using adaptively quantized low  
bit-resolution image and its VLSI architecture for MPEG2 video  
encoding.(very-large-scale integration; motion pictures expert group)**

Lee, Seongsoo ; Kim, Jeong-Min; Chae, Soo-Ik

IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology, 8, 6,  
734(1)

Oct, 1998

ISSN: 1051-8215

LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Abstract

Lee, Seongsoo ...

...AUTHOR ABSTRACT: for hardware implementation and substantially reduces the hardware cost by using a low bit-resolution **image** in the block matching. In the low bit-resolution **image** ' generation, adaptive quantization is employed to reduce the bit resolution of the **pixel** values, which is better than simple truncation of the least significant bits in preserving the dynamic range of the **pixel** values. The proposed algorithm consists of two search steps: in the low-resolution search, a...

...MPEG2 motion estimator with a 0.5-((micro)meter) triple-metal CMOS technology. The VLSI **chip** includes 110 K gates of random logic and 90 K bits of SRAM in a...

...size of 11.5 mm x 12.5 mm. The full functionality of the fabricated **chip** was confirmed with an MPEG2 encoder **chip** .

Index Terms - Adaptive quantization block matching, low-resolution search, motion estimation, VLSI.

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**Image enhancement with polymer grid triode arrays**

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... Yang, Yang

TEXT:

... Consider the office scene in Fig. 1. (Figure 1 omitted) When the original (14-bit) **image** is displayed with only the dynamic range available on the printed page (about 8 bits...

...are clipped (set to 255), simulating saturation in the region of highest brightness. When the **image** is rescaled (the intensity of each **pixel** was divided by B) and displayed over the same dynamic range (Fig. 1B), it is analogous to the **image** shown on a video display with reduced gain; the features are visible only in the...

...regions. In both cases, a great deal of information contained in the original (14-bit) **image** is lost: in Fig. 1A, the viewer cannot see any detail in the bright regions of the **image**, and in Fig. 1B, the viewer cannot see any detail in the darker regions of the **image**.

Local contrast control involves a combination of logarithmic compression and lateral inhibition, the latter provided...

...directly on an array of photodetectors. Each node of the PGT array corresponds to one **pixel** of the **image**. The array of PGTs with a common grid performs three important functions: (i) The common...

...iii) The PGT array with common grid provides the high input resistance needed for open **circuit** detector operation (4), which results in the logarithmic compression in Eq. 2.

Thus, local contrast...

...is to show that it computes the center-surround difference in Eq. 2. The equivalent **circuit** of ...of sufficient conductivity to make an ohmic contact to the grid, so that the equivalent **circuit** is simplified to a diode in series with a resistor. In the initial experiments, polyvinylcarbazole...

...pixel. Because  $V_{sub} \propto \log I_{sub}$  for photovoltaic detectors under open **circuit** conditions, the logarithmic compression of Eq. 1 is straightforward (4).

The PGT-array image processor...

...retina is at an early stage of development. The utility of the PGT array for **image** enhancement will depend on a number of factors--including, for example, sensitivity, noise, dynamic range, and matching from one **pixel** to the next--that must be tested on an engineering prototype.

For a full plastic...

...detector output pad as the anode or cathode of the PGT at that node. The **semiconductor** layers would be cast sequentially from solution and applied onto the detector array much like...

...and on the demultiplexer input.

Alternatively, the PGT array could be used to process the **image** after analog-to-digital conversion and integrated directly into a display (such as a liquid...

...fabricated directly on, as an integral part of, the display: for example, between the control **circuits** and the liquid-crystal layer. The data would be logarithmically compressed digitally and input into the PGT array to process the **image**; the output from the **pixels** of the array of PGTs would serve as the input to the **pixels** of the display.

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6986303 INSPEC Abstract Number: B2001-09-6135E-015, C2001-09-5260B-027  
**Title: Design issues for hardware implementation of an algorithm for segmenting hyperspectral imagery**  
Author(s): Theiler, J.; Leiser, M.E.; Estlick, M.; Szymanski, J.J.  
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Journal: Proceedings of the SPIE - The International Society for Optical Engineering Conference Title: Proc. SPIE - Int. Soc. Opt. Eng. (USA) vol.4132 p.99-106  
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Publication Date: 2000 Country of Publication: USA  
CODEN: PSISDG ISSN: 0277-786X  
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Conference Title: Imaging Spectrometry VI  
Conference Sponsor: SPIE  
Conference Date: 31 July-2 Aug. 2000 Conference Location: San Diego, CA, USA  
Language: English  
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**Title: Design issues for hardware implementation of an algorithm for segmenting hyperspectral imagery**

Abstract: Modern hyperspectral **imagers** can produce data cubes with hundreds of spectral channels and millions of **pixels**. One way to cope with this massive volume is to organize the data so that **pixels** with similar spectral content are clustered together in the same category. This provides both a compression of the data and a segmentation of the **image** that can be useful for other **image** processing tasks downstream. The classic approach for segmentation of multidimensional data is the k-means ...

... a simple algorithm, but the computational expense can be considerable, particularly for clustering large hyperspectral **images** into many categories. The ASAPP (Accelerating Segmentation And **Pixel** Purity) project aims to relieve this processing bottleneck by putting the k-means algorithm into...

... a linear combination of the two), we can fit more distance-computation nodes on the **chip**, obtain a higher **degree** of fine-**grain** parallelism, and therefore faster performance, but at the price of slightly less optimal clusters. We...

... both a theoretical (using random simulated data) and an empirical viewpoint (using 224-channel AVIRIS **images** and 10-channel multispectral **images**).

...Descriptors: **image** classification...

... **image** coding...

... **image** segmentation

Identifiers: hyperspectral **imagers** ; ...

... **image** segmentation...

...multispectral **images** ;

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6917840 INSPEC Abstract Number: A2001-11-4240K-005, B2001-06-4350-026

**Title: High resolution digital holography**

Author(s): Jacquot, M.; Sandoz, P.; Tribillon, G.

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Journal: Optics Communications vol.190, no.1-6 p.87-94

Publisher: Elsevier,

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CODEN: OPCOB8 ISSN: 0030-4018

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...Abstract: coupled device cameras require the incident beams to be quasi-parallel. That implies large speckle **grain size** and low lateral resolution in reconstructed **images**. Better lateral resolutions are demonstrated in our work, down to 8  $\mu$ m, allowing the...

... The experimental set-up built samples the incident light distribution with a definition of 500 **pixels** mm/sup -1/ The maximum acceptable angle is then widened and the hologram recording and...

... results in phase-contrasts imaging are also reported. The design of dedicated complementary metal-oxide- **semiconductor** active **pixel** sensor cameras is also discussed.

...Descriptors: CCD **image** sensors...

...CMOS **image** sensors...

... **grain size** ; ...

... **image** reconstruction...

... **image** resolution...

...optical **images** ;

...Identifiers: speckle **grain size** ; ...

...reconstructed **images** ; ...

...complementary metal-oxide- **semiconductor** active **pixel** sensor cameras

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6150421 INSPEC Abstract Number: B1999-03-7260D-003

**Title: Analysis of image retention in alternating-current thin-film electroluminescent devices**

Author(s): Krasnov, A.N.; Hofstra, P.G.; Bajcar, R.C.

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Journal: Journal of Materials Science Letters vol.17, no.19 p.  
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Publisher: Kluwer Academic Publishers,  
Publication Date: 1 Oct. 1998 Country of Publication: USA  
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**Title: Analysis of image retention in alternating-current thin-film electroluminescent devices**

Abstract: **Image** retention can limit the upper operational frequency of ZnS-based alternating-current thin-film electroluminescent...

... ZnS deposition conditions, the moisture content of the source material, and the drive conditions on **image** retention. Layer-by-layer etching and scanning electron microscopy cross-sectioning techniques were used for...

... this phenomenon. The failure was found to start at the column electrode edges of the **pixel**. Some peculiarities of the **image** -retention phenomenon are discussed, on the basis of an equivalent electrical scheme of the device...

... properties of the active layer. The conditions for producing displays with a reduced occurrence of **image** retention are also discussed.

...Descriptors: II-VI **semiconductors** ; ...

... **image** resolution

...Identifiers: **image** retention...

... **pixel** column electrode edges...

...optimal **grain** size ;

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5058456 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9511-2570H-002

**Title: Considerations for large area fabrication of integrated a-Si and poly-Si TFTs**

Author(s): Mei, P.; Anderson, G.B.; Boyce, J.B.; Fork, D.K.; Hack, M.; Johnson, R.I.; Lujan, R.A.; Ready, S.E.

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Conference Title: Amorphous Silicon Technology - 1994. Symposium p.  
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Editor(s): Schiff, E.A.; Hack, M.; Madam, A.; Powell, M.; Matsuda, A.

Publisher: Mater. Res. Soc, Pittsburgh, PA, USA

Publication Date: 1994 Country of Publication: USA xix+903 pp.

Conference Title: Amorphous Silicon Technology - 1994. Symposium

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Abstract: The combination of a-Si low leakage **pixel** TFTs with poly-Si TFTs in peripheral **circuits** provides an excellent method for reducing the number of external connections to large-area imaging...  
... displays. To integrate the fabrication of the peripheral poly-Si TFTs with the a-Si **pixel** TFTs, we have developed a three-step laser process which enables selective crystallization of PECVD...

... to those crystallized by a conventional one step laser crystallization of unhydrogenated amorphous silicon. The **grain size** increases with increasing laser energy density up to a peak value of a few microns. The **grain size** decreases with further increases in laser energy density. The transistor field effect mobility is correlated with the **grain size**, increasing gradually with laser energy density until reaching its maximum value. Thereafter, the transistors suffer...

...Descriptors: field effect **integrated circuits** ; ...

... **grain size** ; ...

... **image sensors**...

... **integrated circuit technology**

...Identifiers: low leakage **pixel** TFTs...

...peripheral **circuits** ; ...

... **grain size** ;

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**Title: A single chip multi-function sensor system for wood inspection**

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**Title: A single chip multi-function sensor system for wood inspection**

Abstract: **Image** processing is used in the forest products industry to detect various defects on wood surfaces...

... sensor. Five different measuring principles are simultaneously utilized to detect surface grayscale, surface roughness, deviating **grain** direction, 3D-profile and surface **density**. Using a **pixel** resolution of 1\*0.5 mm, the sensor permits scanning of boards at the speed...

...Descriptors: **image** processing...

... **image** processing equipment  
Identifiers: single **chip** multifunction sensor system...

... **image** processing...

... **pixel** resolution

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4772973 INSPEC Abstract Number: A9421-7220J-009, B9411-2520C-008

**Title: Investigation of minority carrier diffusion length in multicrystalline silicon by quantitative electron beam induced current mapping**

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Journal: Diffusion and Defect Data Part B (Solid State Phenomena)  
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Conference Date: 5-10 Sept. 1993 Conference Location: Saint Malo, France

Language: English

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...Abstract: software has been developed which turns the grey levels of each of the 512\*512 **pixels** of a digitised EBIC **image** into diffusion length values. Once the **image** is recorded, the mean value of this parameter in any chosen area of the device...

... The technique is applied for performing quantitative high resolution assessment of diffusion length in large **grain** polycrystalline silicon, in as- **grown** material as well as in fully processed solar cells.

...Descriptors: elemental **semiconductors** ;

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**Descriptors:** **Image** sensors; Imaging systems; **Image** processing; Industrial applications; Inspection; Wood; Defects; Surface properties; Optical resolving power; Scanning

**Identifiers:** Wood inspection; MAPP2200 **image** processing systems

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**Techniques and diagnostics on laser recrystallization of thin amorphous silicon films for flat panel display applications**

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...substrates were suggested. Presently, AMLCDs are mainly manufactured by using a-Si:H for the **pixel** switching device. In order to improve display performance and integrate both the driving **circuitry** and **pixel** TFTs in a monolithic CMOS technology, high quality poly-Si with low defect density and...

...probing of the recrystallization process.

Conventional excimer laser recrystallization (ELC) is studied next. The average **grain size** dependence on laser fluence, number of laser pulses, and film thickness are investigated. Although increasing the number of laser pulses enhances **grain size**, the general problems associated with conventional ELC are narrow process window, nonuniform **grain sizes**, and randomly oriented **grain** boundaries. In order to control the **grain growth** direction, some research efforts have been focused on controlling the temperature distribution in the Si film by using beam shaping techniques. However, the lateral **grain growth** dependence on fluence gradient has not been demonstrated. By shaping the energy profile by using ...

...Nd:YLF laser is irradiated over the molten region. By using high resolution laser flash **photography**, the liquid/solid interface dynamics is observed during the double laser recrystallization process. The lateral ...

...m/s. The revealed resolidification dynamics suggests two crucial factors for inducing ultra-large lateral **grain growth**. First, the formation of nuclei triggered by the nanosecond laser pulse is responsible for seeding the subsequent lateral **grain growth**. Second, the cooling rate into the substrate must be reduced by the Ar<sup>+</sup> laser so that

sufficient amount of time is allowed for lateral **grain growth** .

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...microelectronic applications. These applications include both niche and large volume applications such as printer drivers, **image** scanners, active-matrix liquid crystal displays (AMLCDs), electro-luminescent displays, plasma assisted displays, etc. Currently...

...it was found that poly-Si material properties vary with its method of preparation, its **grain size** , its surface roughness, and the nature and distribution of the inter-granular and bulk defects...

...invented and fabricated using a simple low temperature poly-Si technology. With these novel structures, **pixels** , **pixel** drivers, and analog and digital peripheral **circuits** can all be built on the same glass substrate. This allows the ultimate goal of...

...high breakdown voltage, and fast switching speed. It is very suitable to be used as **pixel** drivers and high voltage printer drivers.

In order to implement efficient **pixel** transistors and design analog peripheral **circuits** on glass, a second novel structure called the double-gate Elevated-Channel Thin Film Transistor...

...steeper subthreshold slope compared to the uniform film devices. All of these result in efficient **pixels** and high performance analog devices to be built on glass.

Finally, to further optimize the...

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**Improvement of uniformity in active-matrix light-emitting diodes.**  
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Denshi Joho Tsushin Gakkai Gijutsu Kenkyu Hokoku(IEIC Technical Report  
(Institute of Electronics, Information and Communication Engineers),  
2000, VOL.100,NO.356(EID2000 90-189), PAGE.97-100, FIG.5, REF.5  
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...ABSTRACT: investigated. The non-uniformity feature of LTPS-TFTs is due to the fact that the **grain** boundaries and **sizes** of poly-Si are nearly non-controllable during the laser annealing process. In order to obtain the better uniformity of drive current and performance of gray-scale linearity for AMOLED **pixels**, we suggest that a resistor connected serially to the source terminal of the drive TFT...  
...feature dramatically. After measuring the I-V characteristics, a simulation process based on the basic **circuit** theory was proceeded to calculate the characteristics with a serially connected resistor. The calculated results...  
...DESCRIPTORS: **pixel** ; ...

... **image** quality  
...BROADER DESCRIPTORS: **semiconductor** device...  
... **image** ; ...  
... **circuit** component...  
... **image** characteristic

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03546251 JICST ACCESSION NUMBER: 98A0538375 FILE SEGMENT: JICST-E  
**Smart Arrangement of TFTs in the Peripheral Driver Circuits for Low-Temperature poly-Si TFT LCD.**  
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Sanyo Tech Rev, 1998, VOL.30,NO.1, PAGE.70-76, FIG.12, TBL.1, REF.6  
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**Smart Arrangement of TFTs in the Peripheral Driver Circuits for Low-Temperature poly-Si TFT LCD.**

ABSTRACT: Low-temperature poly-Si TFT LCD has several advantages of capability of **integrating** a driver **circuit**, achieving higher **pixel** density and realizing higher aperture ratio. We propose a smart arrangement of TFTs in the peripheral driver **circuit** to improve the **image** quality of LCD. For this arrangement, TFTs in the horizontal driver **circuit** are aligned oblique to the scanning direction of a sheet beam of excimer laser for...

...TFTs to less than 10%, compared with 35% of the conventional arrangement, so that higher **picture image** quality can be achieved.  
(author abst.)  
...DESCRIPTORS: **grain size** (crystal...  
...driving **circuit** ; ...  
... **semiconductor** process



...BROADER DESCRIPTORS: **semiconductor** device...

... **circuit** ;

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**Development of Optical System Eliminating Insensitive Regions in Linear  
Image Sensor Using Image Split Mirror.**  
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Seimitsu Kogakkaishi(Journal of the Japan Society for Precision Engineering  
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**Development of Optical System Eliminating Insensitive Regions in Linear  
Image Sensor Using Image Split Mirror.**  
ABSTRACT: In an automatic detection system for small particles on patterned  
**wafers** , the optical system which eliminates insensitive regions on a  
linear **image** sensor has been developed. The real **image** of **wafer**  
is splitted into two parts by the split mirror set on the real **image**  
plane of the detection system. The insensitive regions are eliminated  
by setting the linear **image** sensors whose **pixels** are shifted by a  
halfpixel relatively, on these two real **images** . The relative  
displacement between the two real **image** detected by the sensors is  
0.5+-0.1 **pixel** over the view field of 3mm and the shading of  
**images** is 23%. The intensity of **images** with the split mirror becomes  
twice as much as that with the half mirror. (author...  
...DESCRIPTORS: **semiconductor** device...

... **wafer** ( **IC** ); ...

... **image** sensor...

... **grain** **size** analysis...

... **image** formation(optics

...BROADER DESCRIPTORS: solid state **circuit** parts...

... **circuit** component...

... **image** pickup apparatus...

... **photographic** camera

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Title of Invention: Method and app. for numerically analyzing grain growth on semiconductor wafer using SEM image.  
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XRAM Acc No: N02-467729

**Grain growth degree analysis method for semiconductor wafer, involves calculating ratio of pixels whose standardized values exceed preset value, to that of total pixels in target zone of image file of wafer**

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JP 2002228607	A	20020814	JP 2001313076	A	20011010	200268
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KR 347764	B		H01L-021/66	Previous Publ. patent KR 2002030674
DE 10151396	A1		H01L-021/66	
TW 521363	A		H01L-021/66	

Abstract (Basic): US 20020072133 A1

NOVELTY - A numerical target zone is selected from an image file generated by scanning a specific surface portion of a semiconductor wafer (30). An image data of the pixels in the target zone are standardized and compared with a preset threshold value. The grain growth degree is determined by obtaining a ratio of pixels whose image values exceed the preset value, to that of the total pixels in the zone.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for grain growth degree analysis apparatus.

USE - For analyzing grain growth degree in semiconductor wafer.

ADVANTAGE - Analyzes the distribution degree of unevenness with respect to the surface of the wafer. Determines grain growth rate accurately and rapidly. Increases productivity by reducing analysis time and by improving quality of devices.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows an exploded schematic view of the grain growth degree analysis apparatus.

Semiconductor wafer (30)

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Title Terms: GRAIN; GROWTH; DEGREE; ANALYSE; METHOD; SEMICONDUCTOR; WAFER; CALCULATE; RATIO; PIXEL; STANDARD; VALUE; PRESET; VALUE; TOTAL; PIXEL; TARGET; ZONE; IMAGE; FILE; WAFER

Derwent Class: T01; U11

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**Pattern image processing apparatus using scanning electron microscope  
(SEM) for VLSI element**

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Number of Countries: 003 Number of Patents: 004

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US 5887080	A	19990323	US 95379962	A	19950127	199919 B
JP 7220077	A	19950818	JP 948711	A	19940128	199919
KR 264338	B1	20000816	KR 951766	A	19950128	200134
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JP 7220077	A		7	G06T-007/00	
KR 264338	B1			G06T-001/00	
JP 3490490	B2		8	G06T-001/00	Previous Publ. patent JP 7220077

Abstract (Basic): US 5887080 A

NOVELTY - A pattern comparison and detection unit (19) sequentially compares each pattern area of a specified pattern with reference image area and detects the pattern having most approximate area. The detected image data corresponding to most approximate area value are output through an output terminal (20).

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An A/D converter (11) converts the analog image data supplied from SEM (1) into digital data. A spatial filter (12) smoothens the digital image data. A histogram processing unit (13) outputs the summation of pixels of smoothed image data corresponding to gray level degree. A threshold value setting unit (14) detects two portions at which the pixel number of histogram decreases and sets gray level value of these portions as threshold value (slice level). A three value processing unit (15) classified 3 gray level degrees of an intermediate portion, black portion and white pattern.

A noise reduction unit (16) reduces noises from entire image by magnifying black noises on a white background and by reducing white noises on a black background with respect to three valued image data. A pattern area calculating unit (17) specifies a position of patterns for adding a labeling processing to each pattern. A reference image storage unit (18) stores an optimum value as a reference image with respect to an area of each pattern.

USE - For detecting specified hole pattern within pattern images in which successive hole patterns are repeated on very large scale integration circuit (VLSI).

ADVANTAGE - The comparison and detection of the same or similar patterns repeated in the SEM image are performed by using the area of the pattern and are not performed on the shape of the pattern, thereby providing a precise detection result high speed.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows block diagram of pattern image processing apparatus.

SEM (1)

A/D converter (11)

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WPI Acc No: 1996-058053/199606  
XRAM Acc No: N96-048477

**Image features extraction method for SEM - by creating non-linear image enhancement pixels to convert to valued process pixels and partially differentiating in X and Y direction to detect boundary of feature**

Patent Assignee: TOSHIBA KK (TOKE )  
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US 5479535	A	19951226	US 92858219	A	19920326	199606 B
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KR 9613370	B1	19961004	KR 924575	A	19920320	199927
JP 3034975	B2	20000417	JP 9186362	A	19910326	200024

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US 5479535	A	10		G06K-009/48	Cont of application US 92858219
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KR 9613370	B1			G06F-015/70	

Abstract (Basic): US 5479535 A

The method involves storing an image generated by an electron microscope in a frame memory. A logarithmic conversion process is performed for each image pixel to create non-linear image enhancement pixels. Each non-linear image enhancement pixels is assigned to a different group each having a corresponding pixel value. The pixels are converted into valued process pixels. Each valued process pixel in each different group has a corresponding pixel value. Threshold values for the valued process are obtained by dividing the whole range of gray levels of the pixels by a predetermined value.

The pixels are partially differentiated in X- and Y-directions by the CPU. It makes '0' the gray levels of pixels within the same area divided by the valued process and makes only the boundary between different areas divided by the valued process have a certain gray level. The desired feature of the image is determined by detecting the boundary from the partially differentiated pixels.

USE/ADVANTAGE - For e.g. pattern obtained during VLSI circuit mfr., makes possible extraction of pattern features from single SEM image for subject that may be damaged by SEM electron beams or suffer change-up due to frame accumulation.

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Title Terms: IMAGE; FEATURE; EXTRACT; METHOD; SEM; IMAGE; ENHANCE; PIXEL; CONVERT; VALUE; PROCESS; PIXEL; DIFFERENTIAL; DIRECTION; DETECT; BOUNDARY; FEATURE

Index Terms/Additional Words: SCANNING; ELECTRON; MICROSCOPE

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XRAM Acc No: N84-109740

**Automatic object dimension measuring appts. - has scanning electron microscope with dimension measuring section and is for metal crystal, sub-grain boundary, powder particle size**

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EP 110301	A	19840613	EP 83111669	A	19831122	198424 B
US 4567364	A	19860128	US 83554717	A	19831123	198607
EP 110301	B	19891108				198945
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Abstract (Basic): EP 110301 A

The scanning electron microscope (SEM) seams a beam onto a sample, e.g. a semiconductor wafer to obtain an image signal corresponding to the sample. An enlarged image of the sample is displayed on a cathode ray tube (CRT).

The dimension measuring section has a setter which displays cursors on the CRT and a memory which receives signals divided into picture elements and stores them as image data. A CPU section receives the stored image data corresponding to a region designated by the cursors, obtains reference points which define two ends of a line corresponding to the dimensions of the sample and calculates the dimensions.

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Abstract (Equivalent): EP 110301 B

A method for measuring the dimensions of an object which is included in a specimen (10), comprising the steps of raster-scanning the specimen (10) with an electron beam (4) so as to obtain an image signal corresponding to the specimen; and measuring the dimensions of the object in accordance with the image signal

obtained in said scanning step; characterized in that said scanning step comprises the steps of aligning the lines of the raster scan substantially parallel to the dimension to be measured; and selecting from said image signal a digital image signal corresponding to a single line of said raster scan; and in that said measuring step includes the steps of

distinguishing in said digital image signal a first portion corresponding to the object, a second portion corresponding to the specimen on one side of the object along the said single scan line and a third portion corresponding to one edge of the object body at the said one side thereof; fitting at least first and third regression lines to said first and third signal portions, respectively, or at

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S5	539902	IMAGE?? OR PHOTOGRAPH?? OR PICTURE? ? OR PHOTO??
S6	3319	RATIO??(5N)(PIXEL?? OR PEL OR (PICTURE??())ELEMENT??) OR SU- B()PIX?? OR SUBPIXEL??)
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S17	1	S16 AND S4
S18	32	S16 NOT S17
S19	2	S18 AND S6
S20	30	S18 NOT S19
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IC card and booking account system using the IC card  
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Carte a puce et systeme de comptabilite utilisant la carte a puce  
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...SPECIFICATION integrated circuit and a display device formed over a plastic substrate.

Fig. 16 is a **SEM** cross-sectional photograph of the sample used in Embodiment 5;

Fig. 17 shows a measured...

...degree)C to 550 (degree)C.

It is possible to obtain crystals having a large **grain size** by emitting a laser beam of second to fourth harmonics of a fundamental harmonic with...

...an elliptical shape on a surface to be irradiated by using an optical system. The **semiconductor** film 505 is irradiated with the



above-described laser beam. On this occasion, an energy...emitting element may be emitted from the side of the card substrate. In this case, **images** displayed in a **pixel** portion is seen in the side of the card substrate.

The light emitting device of...and 1503 denotes a CPU that is one of integrated circuits.

Fig. 15B is a **photograph** of a display device formed over a polycarbonate substrate of 200 ( $\mu$ m) in thickness. The display device shown in Fig. 15B is a light emitting device, and the **photograph** is taken from the side of the polycarbonate substrate. Reference number 1504 denotes a signal line driver circuit, 1505 denotes a scanning line driver circuit, and 1506 denotes a **pixel** portion. Fig. 15C shows enlarged views of the **pixel** portion 1506 of the light emitting device shown in Fig. 15B. A light emitting element is provided with each **pixels** as shown in Fig. 15C. Light emitted from the light emitting element emits toward the...

...the second substrate.

Fig. 16 is a cross-sectional photograph of a scanning electron microscope ( **SEM** ) of the sample used in this embodiment. No. 20 denotes the first plastic substrate, No...

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**Semiconductor device and manufacturing method thereof**  
**Halbleiterbauelement und dessen Herstellungsverfahren**  
**Dispositif semi-conducteur et son procede de fabrication**

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...SPECIFICATION display device is particularly demanded.

Conventionally, a liquid crystal display device is known as the **image** display device. Since a high resolution **image** is obtained as compared with a passive liquid crystal display device, an active matrix liquid...

...is used in many cases. According to the active matrix liquid crystal display device, when **pixel** electrodes arranged in matrix are driven, a display pattern is formed on a screen. In more detail, when a voltage is applied between a selected **pixel** electrode and an opposite electrode corresponding to the selected **pixel** electrode, a liquid crystal layer located between the **pixel** electrode and the opposite electrode is optically modulated and the optical modulation is recognized as... devices;

Figs. 12A and 12B show examples of electronic devices;

Fig. 13 is an observation **SEM** picture after etching;

Fig. 14 is an observation **SEM** picture after etching;

Fig. 15 shows a relationship between reliability (20-hours assurance voltage and...oscillation laser may also be used. In order to obtain a crystal with a large **grain size** at crystallization of the amorphous **semiconductor** film, it is preferable that a solid laser capable of producing continuous oscillation is used...

...MW/cm2) (preferably, 0.1 MW/cm2) to 10 MW/cm2)) is required. Then, the **semiconductor** film may be moved relatively to laser light at a speed of about 10 cm...of this embodiment. Fig. 13 is a picture obtained by observing the sample using an **SEM** immediately after etching is performed under the same condition as the above-mentioned first etching ...of this embodiment. Fig. 14 is a picture obtained by observing the sample using an **SEM** immediately after etching is performed under the same condition as the above-mentioned first etching...

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Mo-W material for formation of wiring, Mo-W target and method for production thereof, and Mo-W wiring thin film

Molybdan-Wolfram Werkstoff fur Leitungsdrahte, Molybdan-Wolfram Fangelektrode und ihre Herstellungsverfahren, und Molybdan-Wolfram Legierung fur Dunnschichtdrahte

Alliage molybdene-tungstene pour conducteurs electriques, alliage molybdene-tungstene pour cibles et procede pour leur fabrication et alliage molybdene-tungstene pour conducteurs a couche mince

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...SPECIFICATION 5b are deposited. Then, through the medium of the gate  
insulating film 3, an ITO **picture element** electrode 8 is formed.  
Subsequently, an Al source electrode 6a having a part thereof connected

...6b having a part thereof connected to the n+) a-Si layer 5b and the  
**picture element** electrode 8, and data wirings are simultaneously  
formed.

The conventional TFT shown in Fig. 4 has a **picture element**  
electrode and data wirings formed in one and the same layer without  
intervention by an...

...and data wirings laid out first, an interlayer insulating film  
subsequently formed thereon, and a **picture element** electrode finally  
superposed thereon has been conceived and studied as a possible measure  
of improvement...

...etchant for use on the interlayer insulating film and to the ITO etchant  
for the **picture element** electrode.

(2) For the purpose of improving the step coverage of the interlayer  
insulating film thereby heightening the insulation between the data  
wirings and the **picture element** electrode, the data wirings should be  
capable of being tapered.

Since none of the wiring...the like. It is, therefore, capable of  
exalting the insulation between the data wirings and **picture element**  
electrodes. Owing to these features, liquid crystal display devices of

high reliability can be realized...5b each in 50 nm. Subsequently, ITO was sputtered in 120 nm to form a **picture element** electrode 8. The portion of SiOx)) in the contact part was etched with dilute hydrofluoric ...

...was determined by observing the section of a sample thin film with the aid of **SEM** and measuring the angle of the thin film with the glass substrate. It is clearly...

...varying compositions mentioned above were treated with the etchant for ITO, a material for the **picture element** electrode, BHF, an etchant for the interlayer insulating film, and the etchant for Al to...rate in the rate of about 3 to 10 nm/min, for example) and a **picture element** electrode 18 was formed in a thickness of 120 nm by sputtering ITO.

The Mo...

...which would be used for etching a Mo film or a W film.

In the **picture element** array consequently formed, since the data wirings were given a tapering work, the interlayer insulating...

...could be formed by etching with hydrofluoric acid on the drain electrode 16b and the **picture element** electrode could be worked with a mixed liquid consisting of chlorine with nitric acid. Moreover...

...was formed and a contact hole was formed on the drain electrode 26b, and a **picture element** electrode 28 was formed.

According to Example 3 described above, the effect obtained in Example ...W targets obtained in Example 4 and Referential Example mentioned above were tested for relative **density**, average particle diameter of **grains**, and Vickers hardness. The results were as shown in Table 4 and Table 5. These...

...in place in a DC magnetron sputter device and sputtered on a 6-inch Si **wafer** to form a Mo-W alloy film (in a thickness of 30 nm). The Mo...

...after removal of edge portions 5 mm in width from the relevant 6-inch Si **wafers**. The results of this visual examination are additionally shown in Table 4 and Table 5...

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**Thin -film semiconductor device, its manufacture and display sytem**

**Dunnschicht-Halbleiteranordnung, ihre Herstellung und Anzeigsystem**

**Dispositif semiconducteur a film mince, son procede de fabrication et systeme d'affichage**

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...SPECIFICATION or through a level-shifter circuit; whereby an analog signal is supplied to each of **picture elements** in a dot-sequential manner. This enables the construction of an extremely compact data driver  
 ...

...second-stage analog latches are input; whereby an analog signal is supplied to each of **picture elements** in a line-sequential manner. This enables a large active-matrix type of LCD to...

...which outputs of the second-stage latches are input; whereby digital signals are supplied to **picture elements**. This enables the construction of a large-scale digital data driver, which interfaces a digital...among deposition temperature, deposition rate, and carrier mobility;

Fig. 4 is a scanning electron microscope ( **SEM** ) photograph of the crystal structure of a silicon film (after thermal oxidation, deposition temperature = 510...

...is used in a thin film semiconductor device;

Fig. 5 is a scanning electron microscope ( **SEM** ) photograph of the crystal structure of a silicon film (after thermal oxidation, deposition temperature = 600...to illustrate the principle of the present invention;

Fig. 9 is a scanning electron microscope ( **SEM** ) photograph of the amorphous state of a silicon film (before thermal oxidation, deposition temperature = 510...

...be used in a thin film semiconductor device;

Fig. 12 is a scanning electron microscope ( **SEM** ) photograph of the crystal structure of a silicon film (after thermal oxidation, deposition temperature = 570...

has been believed that regions called...nm(12.9 A)/minute. The presence of islands that can not be verified by **SEM**, as shown in Fig. 9, is verified with AFM, as shown in Fig. 10. Fig...

...amorphous state) deposited at 570(degree)C, and Fig. 12 is a scanning electron microscope ( **SEM** ) photograph showing the silicon film in a polycrystalline state after thermal oxidation of this film...  
...no more than 10,000 nm<sup>2</sup>). Note that Fig. 13 is a scanning electron microscope ( **SEM** ) photograph showing a silicon film in a polycrystalline state before thermal oxidation (an as-deposited...

...are distributing in the range of more than 100 nm in diameter, then the average **grain size** of the polycrystalline **semiconductor** film obtained after thermal oxidation will be increased to 10,000 nm<sup>2</sup>) or more in area, and thus a high-performance thin-film **semiconductor** device will be fabricated.

Although this second example has been described with reference to an... is 370(degree)C.

In Fig. 14, if the deposition temperature is less than 500( **degree** )C, the **grain** area becomes less, but this is when the reactant gas is mono-silane. This does...

...deposition rate high. However, this is not the case for di-silane.

#### D. Roughness of **Semiconductor** Film and Gate Insulation film Surfaces

In general, when an oxide film is formed by...insulation film is removed by a 10% aqueous solution of hydrogen fluoride to have a SEM observation of the surface of the polycrystalline silicon film after the oxidation, it will show...the thermal oxidation temperature is reduced..

Figs. 19, 20, and 21 are scanning electron microscope ( **SEM** ) photographs showing the state of a MOS boundary surface of the thin-film semiconductor device...

...and 900(degree)C, respectively. Similarly, Figs. 22, 23, and 24 are scanning electron microscope ( **SEM** ) photographs showing the state of a MOS boundary surface of the thin-film semiconductor device...the initial a-Si film of this example is made up of large regions, the **size** of the crystal **grains** after the crystallization is also large, thus providing high-performance electrical characteristics. In other words...in the nucleus generation rate between substrates can be made small. In other words, the **size** of **grains** making up the **semiconductor** film, which is of polycrystalline silicon after the thermal oxidation, can be made constant between...

...CLAIMS or through a level-shifter circuit, whereby an analog signal is supplied to each of **picture elements** in a dot-sequential manner.  
30. A display system as defined in any one of claims...

...second-stage analog latches are input; whereby an analog signal is supplied to each of **picture elements** in a line-sequential manner.

31. A display system as defined in any one of...

...which outputs of said second-stage latches are input, whereby digital signals are supplied to **picture elements**.

32. A display system as defined in any one of claims 21 to 24, further...

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**MOLYBDENUM-TUNGSTEN MATERIAL FOR WIRING, MOLYBDENUM-TUNGSTEN TARGET FOR WIRING, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, AND MOLYBDENUM-TUNGSTEN WIRING THIN FILM**

**MOLYBDAN-WOLFRAM-MATERIAL ZUM VERDRAHTEN, MOLYBDAN-WOLFRAM-TARGET ZUM VERDRAHTEN, VERFAHREN ZU DEREN HERSTELLUNG UND DUNNE MOLYBDAN-WOLFRAM VERDRAHTUNG**

**MATERIAU EN MOLYBDENE-TUNGSTENE POUR CABLAGE, CIBLE EN MOLYBDENE-TUNGSTENE POUR CABLAGE, PROCEDE DE FABRICATION ET COUCHE MINCE DE CABLAGE EN MOLYBDENE-TUNGSTENE**

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...SPECIFICATION 5b are deposited. Then, through the medium of the gate insulating film 3, an ITO **picture element** electrode 8 is formed. Subsequently, an Al source electrode 6a having a part thereof connected

...after removal of edge portions 5 mm in width from the relevant 6-inch Si wafers . The results of this visual examination are additionally shown in Table 4 and Table 5...

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**HALOGEN-RESISTANT, ANODIZED ALUMINUM FOR USE IN SEMICONDUCTOR PROCESSING APPARATUS**

**ALUMINIUM ANODISE ET RESISTANT AUX HALOGENES UTILISE DANS UN APPAREIL DE TRAITEMENT DE SEMI-CONDUCTEUR**

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Detailed Description

... about 330 °C to relieve stress while reducing the possibility of an increase in the **size** of particulates formed at aluminum **grain** boundaries during the heat treatment, and where an electrochemically applied aluminum oxide protective film applied...analysis technique used to determine particle size and size distribution was based on back scattered **image** analysis under the scanning electron microscope ( **SEM** ). The equipment used to conduct measurements was a KLA TENCORS Surf Scan machine. The magnification was at 500x in order to assess the constituent particles. The area of each **image** was about 150  $\mu\text{m}$  x 200  $\mu\text{m}$ . The digital resolution was at least 0.2  $\mu\text{m}$ / **pixel** . At least 40 **images** were taken at random from a sample area of 0.75 inch diameter in order...



...of various areas on the metal microstructure, to ensure meaningful statistical analysis. The back scattered **images** were digitally stored to provide for statistical analysis. The **images** were transferred to an **image** analyzer and the distribution of the particles with a mean atomic number higher than that of Al (white in the **images** ) were detected and measured. The digital resolution allowed for measurement of particles as small as 0.2 /2m. The **image** analyzer used was EBAS by Zeiss. Particle agglomerates were seen as precipitated particles. The parameters...

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**MICROLENS FOR PROJECTION LITHOGRAPHY AND METHOD OF PREPARATION THEREOF**  
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Detailed Description

... along with the corresponding object pattern masks utilized to  
fabricate the patterns  
(positioned below each **SEM** micrograph copy);  
FIG. 4A-4D are photocopies of micrographs of microlens arrays comprising  
various microoptical...the surface (e.g., microinipulation, etc.) could  
be employed.

FIGS. 3A-3C are photocopies of **SEM** micrographs of ...array and, in

Claim

... for use as a photonic crystal.

88 The method as in claim 64, wherein the **image** surface comprises an **image** pattern including a plurality of discrete features, wherein the features are suitable for use as a **pixel** array.

89 The method as in claim 64, wherein the image surface comprises an image...

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**WIDE BAND GAP SEMICONDUCTOR COMPOSITE DETECTOR PLATES FOR X-RAY DIGITAL RADIOGRAPHY**

**PLAQUES DE DETECTEUR COMPOSITES DE SEMI-CONDUCTEUR A ECART A LARGE BANDE POUR RADIOGRAPHIE NUMERIQUE A RAYONS X**

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least two said **semiconductors** selected from bismuth iodide, lead iodide, mercuric iodide, thallium bromide and cadmium-zinc-telluride (CZT)  
...

...least two discrete composition layers, each of said discrete layers comprised of at least one **semiconductor** selected from a group consisting of bismuth iodide, lead iodide, mercuric iodide, thallium bromide and...

...at least two discrete composition layers comprise at least one discrete composition layer where said **semiconductor** is non-heat treated, non-ground particulate lead iodide and at least one discrete composition layer where said **semiconductor** is non-heat treated, nonground particulate mercuric iodide.

38 An image receptor according to claim...

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**CRYSTALLIZATION PROCESSING OF SEMICONDUCTOR FILM REGIONS ON A SUBSTRATE,  
AND DEVICES MADE THEREWITH**  
**PROCEDE DE CRISTALLISATION DE REGIONS D'UNE COUCHE DE SEMI-CONDUCTEUR SUR  
UN SUBSTRAT, ET DISPOSITIFS REALISES SELON CE PROCEDE**

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English Abstract

...laterally from a seed area of the film. The semiconductor devices can be included as **pixel** controllers and drivers in liquid-crystal display devices, and in **image** sensors, static random-access memories (SRAM), silicon-on-insulator (SOI) devices, and three-dimensional integrated...

French Abstract

...Les dispositifs a semi-conducteur peuvent etre introduits en tant que

dispositifs de commande de **pixels** et dispositifs d'attaque, dans des dispositifs d'affichage a cristaux liquides, et dans des detecteurs d'**images**, des memoires RAM statiques, des dispositifs du type silicium sur isolant, et des dispositifs a...

#### Detailed Description

... quartz or glass substrate, for example,

This technology is in use in the manufacture of **image** sensors and active-matrix liquid-crystal display (AMLCD) devices. In the latter, in a regular...

...of thin-film

transistors (TFT) on an appropriate transparent substrate, each transistor serves as a **pixel** controller.

In commercially available AMLCD devices, the thin-film transistors are formed in hydrogenated amorphous...

...technique can be used in

the manufacture of high-speed liquid crystal display devices, wherein **pixel** controllers or/and driver circuitry are made in single-crystal or regular/quasi regular polycrystalline films, other applications include **image** sensors, static random-access memories (SRAM), silicon-on-insulator (SOI) devices, and threedimensional integrated circuit...subsequent to irradiation, the films were thoroughly defect-etched using Secco etchant and examined using **scanning electron microscopy (SEM)**, The largest, most uniform grains were obtained at a back

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side energy density of...may have to be reduced in length, and the semiconductor surface may become irregular where

**grains growing** from opposite directions come together during the solidification process, An oxide cap may be formed...window portion 121 is

transparent. The display window portion 121 includes a regular array of **pixels** 122, each including a TFT **pixel** controller, Each **pixel** controller can be individually addressed by drivers 123, Preferably, **pixel** controllers or/and driver circuitry are implemented in semiconductor material processed in accordance with the technique of the present invention,

other applications include **image** sensors, static random-access memories (SRAM), silicon-on insulator (SOI) devices, and three-dimensional integrated...

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**Flussigkristall-Anzeigevorrichtung**  
**Dispositif d'affichage a cristal liquide**

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...SPECIFICATION there is disclosed an active matrix substrate having a large capacitor in a liquid crystal **picture element** section without reducing aperture ratio. Figure 39 shows a structure of such a capacitor for...

...storing capacitor 202 as a capacitor element, and a liquid crystal cell 203 constituting a **picture element**. The active matrix type liquid crystal display device having such a structure is driven in...

...1)) to S( sub(n)). Immediately thereafter, the display signal is written to the corresponding **picture element**. The display signal written into the **picture element** is held for one field period by the liquid crystal cell 203 and the capacitor...

...next field. Thus, alternating current drive of the liquid crystal is effected.

The larger the **picture element** capacitance of each liquid crystal cell 203, the more securely a **picture element** potential can be held, so that non-uniformity of contrast can be suppressed to thereby secure a fixed display quality. Accordingly, in the case that the **picture element** electrode area is large (for example,  $200(\sup(2)(\mu)\text{m}(\sup(2))$  or more), it is unnecessary to provide the capacitor element 202.

film transistor (103) formed in one of said plurality of first trenches and associated with said **picture element** electrode and a capacitor element (104) associated with said **picture element** electrode.

7. A liquid crystal display device according to claim 6, wherein said plurality of...

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METHOD OF PRODUCING SILICON OXIDE FILM, METHOD OF MANUFACTURING  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, DISPLAY, AND INFRARED  
IRRADIATING DEVICE

VERFAHREN ZUR HERSTELLUNG EINES SILIZIUMOXIDFILMS, VERFAHREN ZUR  
HERSTELLUNG EINER HALBLEITERVORRICHTUNG, HALBLEITERVORRICHTUNG, ANZEIGE  
UND INFRAROT BESTRAHLUNGSANLAGE

PROCEDE POUR PRODUIRE UN FILM D'OXYDE DE SILICIUM, PROCEDE POUR FABRIQUER  
UN DISPOSITIF A SEMI-CONDUCTEURS, DISPOSITIF A SEMI-CONDUCTEURS,  
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...SPECIFICATION quartz glass substrate can also be regarded as the first  
silicon oxide film.

Next, a **semiconductor** film is formed on a dielectric material where  
at least a surface in contact with the **semiconductor** film is the first  
silicon oxide film. In this step of forming a **semiconductor** film, a  
high energy body such as a laser beam or heat is supplied to this  
**semiconductor** film after film deposition by a vapor deposition method or  
the like, thus processing the melt crystallization or the solid phase

crystallization of the **semiconductor** film. If the initially deposited thin film is amorphous or a mixed crystal structure which...

...chlorine (XeCl) excimer laser. Due to the irradiation thereof, at least the surface of a **semiconductor** thin film is molten and crystallized. There is an excellent characteristic in that crystal grains...

...difficult: if the irradiation energy density of the excimer laser or the like onto the **semiconductor** thin film is slightly larger than an appropriate level, it is realized that the **size** of crystal **grains** of the polycrystalline film is suddenly reduced by the amount between 1/10 and 1/100 and, in the worst case, the **semiconductor** film will disappear. Therefore, in the present invention, the melt-crystallization of a **semiconductor** film is carried out by setting an irradiation laser energy density lower than an appropriate...

...to about 50mJ(center dot)cm<sup>-2</sup>). As a result the melt-crystallization of a **semiconductor** film will be carried out with stability. Of course, the crystalline quality of the polycrystalline **semiconductor** film is not very high under this condition; however, there is a step of irradiating ...NMOS thin film semiconductor device obtained in the Second Embodiment as a switching element for **picture elements** of a color LCD having 200 (row) x 320 (column) x 3 (color) = 192,000 ( **picture elements** ), an active matrix substrate was manufactured wherein a 6-bit digital data driver (column side...

...The output from the CMOS analog switch is connected to the source line of the **picture element** section. The capacitance of the D/A converter section satisfy the relations: C0)) = C1))/2 = C2))/4 = C3))/8 = C4))/16 = C5))/32. Digital **image** signals output from the video random access memory (VRAM) of a computer can be directly input to the digital **image** signal line. The **picture elements** of the active matrix substrate of the Third Embodiment include source electrodes and source wirings, and the drain electrodes ( **picture element** electrodes) include aluminum, forming a reflective LCD.

A liquid crystal panel is manufactured wherein the...the scanning driver operate normally at a wide operation area; and moreover, since the aperture **ratio** is high regarding the **picture element** section, a liquid crystal display device of high display quality is fabricated even with the...

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Display device and manufacture method for the same  
Anzeigevorrichtung und Verfahren zu ihrer Herstellung  
Dispositif d'affichage et son procede de fabrication

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...SPECIFICATION devices using liquid crystals, there has recently been a demand for producing a finer display **image** . Particularly, the so-called active matrix type display panel using thin film switching devices to drive **pixels** is relatively easy to increase the number of **pixels** and the number of gradation steps as compared with other types of liquid crystal display...

...current in the sub-threshold region is not satisfactory. Also, due to variations in the **grain size** of p-Si and changes in the process conditions, the carrier mobility and the rising...satisfactory characteristics. The use of unsatisfactory p-SiTFTs has raised characteristic limitations in making up **circuits** such as a shift register for driving pixels.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

A primary object of the present invention is to provide a display device which can display a finer **image** with the increased number of **pixels** by using p-SiTFTs that have sufficiently high carrier mobility and a good on/off...

...is to provide a transmission type liquid crystal display device which can display a finer **image** with the increased number of **pixels** . Still another object of the present invention is to provide a projection or spectacle type...

...display device which can utilize light at a high rate and can display a finer **image** with the increased number of **pixels** .

To solve the technical problems explained above and to achieve the foregoing objects, the display...

A sixth embodiment will be described...

...substrate) where the Si substrate 1 has been partly etched away to form a transparent **pixel** display area. 5 denotes a portion at which the field oxide film 3 terminates. 6...

...Embodiment 5. The resulting display panel was superior and able to display a high-quality **image** stably for a long period of time.

(Embodiment 7)

A seventh embodiment will be described...

...to Fig. 28. Fig. 28 schematically shows arrangements of a thin film transistor (TFT), a **pixel** electrode, wirings and so on which are formed the semiconductor substrate shown in Fig. 26...

...channel portion of the TFT, 902 is an interlayer insulating layer, and 903 is a **pixel** electrode (ITO). 904 is a low-concentration source/drain layer close to a gate, 906...

...Embodiment 5. The resulting display panel was superior and able to display a high-quality **image** stably for a long period of time. The technique described in this embodiment can be...

...reference to Fig. 29. Fig. 29 schematically shows part of a semiconductor substrate with a **pixel** electrode, wirings and so on omitted. In Fig. 29, components denoted by the same reference...

Embodiment 5. The resulting display panel was superior and able to display a high-quality **image** stably for a long period of time. Consequently, this embodiment can provide a display device which has the good mechanical strength and can stably display a high-quality **image** .

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**Fabrication method for a thin film semiconductor device, the thin film semiconductor device itself, liquid crystal display, and electronic device**

**Herstellungsmethode für eine Anordnung mit einem dünnen Halbleiterfilm, die Anordnung selber und Flüssigkristallanzeige**

**Methode de fabrication d'un dispositif semiconducteur a couche mince, dispositif semiconducteur et dispositif d'affichage a cristal liquide**

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...SPECIFICATION temperatures between room temperature and approximately 400(degree)C.

In the present invention, because the **semiconductor** layer formed on top of the underlevel protection layer functions as the active layer for the transistor and this **semiconductor** layer is formed by crystallization, the properties of the underlevel protection layer have a strong influence on the quality of the **semiconductor** layer. First, it is desirable to have the center line mean surface roughness of the underlevel protection layer be 3.0 nm or less. When a **semiconductor** film such as silicon is deposited by CVD on top of an underlevel

protection layer...

- ...is low, the regions constituting the film will become large. If the regions in the **semiconductor** film prior to crystallization are large, the grains constituting the crystallized film will also be large. When the grains in the **semiconductor** film are large, the electrical properties, such as mobility, of the **semiconductor** device having an active layer comprised of these grains improve. According to the experiments of...
- ...3.0 nm or less with the result being the ability to fabricate high performance **semiconductor** devices. The reason for this seems to be that the irregularity in the surface of...
- ...surface roughness of the underlevel protection layer be 1.5 nm or less when the **semiconductor** layer is melt crystallized. If the surface is this smooth, the melted **semiconductor** material such as silicon spreads readily over the underlevel protection layer. Because of this, large diameter **grains** can **grow** easily; and the properties of the thin film **semiconductor** device ...At the same time, local agglomeration of the molten material during solidification of the melted **semiconductor** material does not occur; and the uniformity within the molten region increases. The LSI scaling law applies to thin film **semiconductor** devices as well; and it appears that the miniaturization of elements will continue in step...
- ...submicron order, how to avoid local agglomeration will be an important issue. When fabricating the **semiconductor** layer by melt crystallization, the center line mean surface roughness of the underlevel protection layer...
- ...By meeting this criterion, it is possible to produce uniform films, without local agglomeration, from **semiconductor** films with large-diameter grains.  
Another role of the underlevel protection layer is to prevent...will almost disappear. From about 150 nm (1500 Å) to 200 nm (2000 Å), the **size** of the crystal **grains** will gradually increase along with the film thickness. At 200 nm (2000 Å) or higher, the film will **grow** while the crystal **grains** maintain approximately the same shape. The film thickness dependency of the transistor properties will also...
- ...Put another way, in the case of this invention, transistor properties are the best at **semiconductor** film thicknesses from 20 nm (200 Å) to 150 nm (1500 Å), but ideally between...
- ...with the thickness of the film. The principles of off state leakage in thin film **semiconductor** device are not well understood. In this invention, the principles are unclear; but, if the...
- ...ideally from 40 nm (400 Å) to 100 nm (1000 Å). When the thin film **semiconductor** device of this invention is used in an LCD, it is desirable to consider the...
- ...Light exposure will cause an increase in the off state leakage current in thin film **semiconductor** devices. This is called the optical leakage current. Having a sufficiently small optical leakage current is a condition for a good thin film **semiconductor** device. In the case of the thin film **semiconductor** device of this ...off state leakage and optical leakage are important, such as when using a thin film **semiconductor** device for the pixel switching element of an LCD, it is desirable to have a **semiconductor** film thickness from 10 nm (100 Å) to 70 nm (700 Å). Moreover, when it...

...carry out activation in a stable manner, a lower limit must be set for the **semiconductor** film thickness. With this invention, the desired value is 30 nm (300 Å) or higher...

...thickness of 50 nm (500 Å) or higher is desired.

2-10. Crystallization of the **Semiconductor** Film through VHS-PECVD and Microwave PECVD

As described in detail in section (2-8)...At the same time, because the a-Si layer is composed of large regions, the **size** of the **grains** after crystallization is large and high-performance electrical characteristics can be obtained. In other words...matrix liquid crystal display device (LCD), high-definition LCDs (LCDs having a large number of **picture elements**), bright LCDs (LCDs having a high aperture ratio in which storage capacitors have been reduced or eliminated), and highly-integrated LCDs (LCDs having a large number of **picture elements** per unit area), all of which were heretofore impossible using a-Si TFTs of the...

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**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LASER HEAT TREATMENT, AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE  
VERFAHREN UND APPARAT ZUR WARMEBEHANDLUNG DURCH LASERSTRAHLEN, UND  
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...SPECIFICATION transistor, and a semiconductor device produced using such method and apparatus.

#### Background Art

At present, **pixel** portions of a liquid crystal panel produce an **image** by switching of thin film transistors that are formed from an amorphous or polycrystalline silicon...

...substrate. If a driver circuit (which is now typically independently mounted outside) for driving the **pixel** transistors can be simultaneously formed on the panel, significant advantages would be obtained in terms...dielectric compound, or a high-temperature superconductor has the same effect of achieving a large **grain size** even if it is subjected to the above-mentioned laser heat treatment.

#### Embodiment 2

In...

...eliminated, whereby the carriers are not scattered at the boundary planes. Moreover, the crystal-defect **density** at the **grain** boundaries is reduced due to the extremely small grain boundaries, whereby the mobility of the...

...high frequency can be obtained. Moreover, in the method of present invention, not only the **grain size** and thus the mobility of the transistor are increased, but also the conditions for obtaining...at the irradiation intensity of approximately 100 mJ/cm<sup>2</sup>) or more. In view of the **grain size**, mobility of the transistor upon making a **semiconductor** device, and the like, 400 mJ/cm<sup>2</sup>) or more is preferred.

#### Embodiment 5

In Embodiment...Under such conditions, the laser heat treatment of the amorphous silicon film was conducted. The **grain size** of the resultant polycrystalline silicon film was as follows: when the maximum gradient of the...

...different due to the difference in length of the grains. In order to make an **integrated circuit** requiring high speed and functionality, the mobility of approximately 100 cm<sup>2</sup>/Vs is required. Accordingly...

...compound, or a high-temperature superconductor compound has the same effect of achieving a large **grain size** even if it is subjected to the above-mentioned laser heat treatment.

In Embodiment 10...

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Thin film transistor with a LDD structure and method of producing the same  
Dunnfilmtransistor mit einer LDD Struktur und Verfahren zur Herstellung  
Transistor a couche mince avec une structure LDD et sa methode de  
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...ABSTRACT A2

On the polycrystal **semiconductor** film 3 formed on the insulating  
substrate 1, the source 6 and drain 7 in...

...measured from the edge of gate insulating film 9 is not smaller than the  
average **grain size** of the polycrystal **semiconductor** film 3. The LCD  
device employing the TFT thus constructed is free from white spots...

...SPECIFICATION effect this accurate ON-OFF performance, it has been  
desirable that polycrystal silicon having a **grain size** as large as  
possible, e.g. 3 - 5 ( $\mu$ m), is used for the polycrystal **semiconductor**  
thin film, thereby to increase an ON-current of the TFT.

The market recently demands to improve the **picture** quality; however,  
the LCD device having a conventional TFT structure encounters a problem  
that a...

...illuminates brighter than a desired brightness, namely the micro

brighter spot looks whiter than other **pixels** .

This problem is conditioned by two reasons. One is that TFT has been progressively miniaturized...

...TFT shown in Fig. 4(b) employs silicon-made polycrystal semiconductor thin film of which **grain size** is 3 - 5 ( $\mu$ m) as an active layer of the TFT. The progress of...

...low concentration region 4 of the source 6 and drain 7 becomes shorter than the **grain size** . In manufacturing the TFTs, impurity ion is implanted so that the low concentration region 4...

...low concentration region 4 substantially along the grain boundary 2. At this time, since the **grain size** is longer than the length "D" of the low concentration region 4, the high concentration...

...region measured from the edge of gate insulating film is not smaller than an average **grain size** of the polycrystal **semiconductor** thin film.

A manufacturing method of the TFT of the present invention comprises the following...from the edge of gate insulating film to at least a distance of an average **grain size** ,

(v) forming the source and the drain both having high impurity concentration by implanting the...

...been implanted.

The above structure and method provide polycrystal semiconductor film having a small average **grain size** . Therefore, even if the impurity diffuses from the high concentration region into the low concentration...

...set a length "D" of the low concentration region 4 not shorter than an average **grain size** of the polycrystal silicon film. For instance, an average **grain size** of polycrystal silicon film as the polycrystal **semiconductor** film 3 is controlled to be as fine as 1.0 ( $\mu$ m), and the ...

...CLAIMS concentration region from the edge of gate insulating film is not smaller than an average **grain size** of said polycrystal **semiconductor** thin film.

2. A thin film transistor manufacturing method comprising the steps of:  
(i) forming...

...the edge of said gate insulating film to at least a distance of an average **grain size** ,

(v) forming said source and said drain both having high impurity concentration by implanting the...

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00997094

Semiconductor device having laser-annealed semiconductor elements, and display device using this semiconductor device

Halbleitervorrichtung mit lasergetemperten Halbleiterelementen sowie Anzeigevorrichtung, die diese Halbleitervorrichtung benutzt

Dispositif a semi-conducteur comportant des elements semi-conducteurs recruts par laser et dispositif d'affichage l'utilisant

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... **H01L-021/84**

...SPECIFICATION which a TFT is disposed as a switching element for  
controlling a timing for rewriting **image** data in each **pixel** , can  
display high-resolution animation in a large **image** plane, it is used in  
displays of various televisions, personal computers, and the like.  
A...

...which has been frequently used, and annealing is performed using laser  
beams for formation or **growth** of p-Si crystal **grains** . In general,  
p-Si has a higher mobility compared with a-Si, a TFT is...

...a P-ch TFT, i.e. CMOS, can be formed, and a high-speed drive **circuit**  
can be constituted. Therefore, by forming a drive **circuit** area  
integrally with a display area on the same substrate, manufacturing cost  
can be reduced...

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00995514

**Light emitting semiconductor device using nanocrystals**

**Lichtemittierende Halbleitervorrichtung, die Nanokristalle enthalt**

**Dispositif semi-conducteur emetteur de lumiere comprenant des nanocristaux**

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...ABSTRACT cause a quantum size effect. The microcrystals may be 10 nanometers (nm) or less in **grain size** . A dielectric film of 5 nm thick or less is formed containing therein such microcrystals. The microcrystal structure section is disposed between p- and n-type **semiconductor** layers. These layers are brought into electrical contact with the microcrystal structure only, while causing...

...SPECIFICATION degree)C for two minutes. The resultant Si microcrystals 12 are about 5 nm in **grain** diameter or **size** . Next, the structure is again oxidized in an oxygen gas at a temperature of 750...

...oxidation of the part of the structure around the microcrystals 12. In this way the **semiconductor** microcrystal layer 14 is fabricated to have the SiO<sub>2</sub>) film 13 on the surface of...

...gas atmosphere at 500(degree)C for ten minutes, whereby the Si microcrystals 22 of **grain size** of several nanometers are formed within the silicon oxide film. The **grain size** of such Si microcrystals 22 are well controllable by adjustment of the heating time period 22 to thereby form the **semiconductor** microcrystal layer 24.

Then, both Si and Boron (B) dopants are supplied simultaneously to the ...invention. The flat-surface display panel includes a matrix array of rows and columns of **picture elements** or " **pixels** " each employing the pin-junction LED of Fig. 1.

As shown in Fig. 5. the...

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**Solid state radiation detector**  
**Festkorper-Strahlungsdetektor**  
**Detecteur de radiation a l'etat solide**

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**... H01L-027/146 ...**

**... H01L-031/0232**

...SPECIFICATION array 16 is fed to the electrodes of associated TFTs in  
the array 18.

The **pixels** forming such an array are typically 85(mu)m X 85(mu)m in  
area...

...with respect to the TFTs is essential for a commercially viable device  
that produces an **image** with satisfactory resolution. The greater the  
amount of defective **pixels** in such a device, the poorer the resolution  
of the **image** . In addition, alignment of the layers in each **pixel**  
results in an active area in each **pixel** that is greater than the active  
areas in **pixels** produced under prior art methods. The sequence of  
microlithographic steps that were used in prior...

...present invention automatically aligns the layers as discussed above,

the resulting active area of each **pixel** is greater.

An example of the process of the present invention that produces the sensing...or with cesium iodine doped with thallium. The phosphor may be situated individually over each **pixel** in microcolumns. The individual microcolumn arrangement confines the scattered emitted light to the area of the associated **pixel**. Although conventional screens can also be used with the present invention, the use of such...

...screen results in some spreading of the emitted light which causes a reduction in the **image** sharpness.

The use of columnar phosphor results in greater image sharpness since the emitted light...

...be formed by evaporating cesium iodine doped with thallium on the detector.

A metal-oxide- **semiconductor** field effect transistor (MOSFET) may be substituted for the thin film transistor to produce the...

...using furnace annealing, rapid thermal annealing, E-beam annealing, or laser annealing to form large **grain size** polycrystalline or single crystal silicon. The crystallized silicon layer is then patterned into islands using...

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00885991

**Laser crystallisation of an amorphous silicon film for a TFT**

**Laserkristallisation eines amorphen Siliziumfilms für einen TFT**

**Crystallisation laser d'une couche de silicium amorphe pour un TFT**

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...SPECIFICATION matrix type provided with a TFT, as a switching element for controlling timings for rewriting **image** data on **pixels**, realizes motion animation display with a large screen and high resolution, and is therefore used...

...which had frequently been adopted has been developed, and annealing using a laser beam for **growth** of **grains** has been put to use. In general, p-Si has a higher mobility than a...

...be achieved. Consequently, an electrically complementary connection structure, e.g., a CMOS (Complementary Metal Oxide **Semiconductor**) can be constructed using an n-ch TFT and a p-ch TFT so that a high-speed drive **circuit** can be formed by adopting p-Si TFT. Since a driver **circuit** section can therefore be formed to be integral with a display area on the same...

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...which had frequently been adopted has been developed, and annealing using a laser beam for **growth** of **grains** has been put to use. In general, p-Si has a higher mobility than a...

...be achieved. Consequently, an electrically complementary connection structure, e.g., a CMOS (Complementary Metal Oxide **Semiconductor**) can be constructed using an n-ch TFT and a p-ch TFT so that a high-speed drive **circuit** can be formed by adopting p-Si TFT. Since a driver **circuit** section can therefore be formed to be integral with a display area on the same...

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00865964

**Semiconductor device, display device with a semiconductor device, and production method thereof**

**Halbleiter, Display mit Halbleiter und seine Herstellung**

**Dispositif semi-conducteur, dispositif d'affichage avec des dispositifs semi-conducteurs et methode de fabrication associee**

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...SPECIFICATION has been an increasing need for a liquid crystal display device capable of displaying an **image** with higher resolution. Among various types, a liquid crystal display device of the active matrix type in which **pixels** are switched by thin film switching devices has been developed rapidly since a crosstalk occurs little even when the number of **pixels** is increased and a high-quality **image** with a high gradation can be easily achieved.

In active matrix type liquid crystal display...

...matrix type liquid crystal display device and Fig. 11B is an enlarged view of an **image** display unit thereof. In Fig. 11A, reference numeral 61 denotes a video signal circuit; 62...

...is a vertical shift register; 64 is a horizontal shift register; and 65 is an **image** display unit. In Fig. 11B, reference numerals 21a, 21b and 21c denote scanning interconnections; 22a...

...is a storage capacitance; 23 is a thin film transistor (TFT); and 28 is a **pixel** electrode. The video signal circuit 61 outputs a television signal to the horizontal shift register 64. The horizontal shift register 64 samples the television signal corresponding to each **pixel** of the **image** display unit 65. The vertical shift register 63 controls the timing of selecting a row of **image** display unit 65. The synchronizing circuit 62 controls the timing of the operation of vertical shift register 63 and horizontal shift register 64. In the **image** display unit shown in Fig. 11B, TFT 23, storage capacitor 20 and **pixel** electrode 28 are disposed at each intersection of the scanning interconnections 21a, 21b and 21c...

...The vertical shift register 63 outputs a row selection pulse which is supplied to the **image** display unit through the scanning interconnections 21a, 21b, and 21c. TFTs turn ON and OFF...

...response to row selection pulses. As a result a television signal is written in the **pixel** electrodes 28 and storage capacitors 20 through the data interconnections 22a, 22b, 22c, and 22d...

...shift register 64 as well as the TFTs are formed of polycrystalline silicon, wherein the **image** display unit 65, the vertical shift register 63 and the horizontal shift register 64 are...

...electrodes; 13 is a hydrogen supply layer; 14 is light blocking films; 16 is a **pixel** electrode; and 17 is a **pixel** display area. A scanning interconnection is connected to each gate electrode 8. In response to...

...turns ON. As a result, a signal on the data interconnection is applied to the **pixel** electrode 16 via the channel 9. In the present invention, the term "semiconductor layer" is...capacitor is formed with the light blocking film 14 disposed directly on the TFT, the **pixel** electrode 16 and the interlayer insulating film 15 disposed between them. In this invention, as...

...the case of the transmission type liquid crystal display device a greater size of the **pixel** display area 17 can be achieved. This makes it possible to realize a liquid crystal display device having a high opening ratio and thus capable of displaying a bright **image**. In contrast, in the liquid crystal display device according to the conventional technique shown in...suppressed to a low level. As a result, a charge can be held at the **pixel** electrode for a long time and thus it is possible to achieve a liquid crystal display device capable of displaying a high-contrast **image**. Furthermore, the display device includes a low density of defects such as white or black...

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00769997

**A RADIATION DETECTION SYSTEM AND PROCESSES FOR PREPARING THE SAME**  
**STRAHLUNGSEMPFANGSSYSTEM UND HERSTELLUNGSVERFAHREN**  
**SYSTEME DE RADIODETECTION ET SON PROCEDE DE FABRICATION**

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...SPECIFICATION iodide films.

Thus, according to the present invention, there are provided large-area, coherent, continuous **semiconductor** films, preferably having an area of between 102)cm<sup>2</sup>) and 104)cm<sup>2</sup>), and a thickness...

...about 1-500 (mu)m, which can be partially or fully textured (50-100%), with **grain size** from 1 (mu)m to 5 mm.

The present invention also provides processes for the...which are large enough to allow room temperature operation without cryogenic cooling.

From the various **image** receptors shown in Table 2, it is obvious that the high Z and high Eg...

...the field of gamma ray camera using bulk detectors of HgI<sub>2</sub>), using 8 by 8 **pixels** (C. Ortale, et al., Nucl. Inst. and Methods, Vol. 213, p. 95 (1983)) and progressing to a 32 by 32 **pixel** array (see, e.g., B.E. Patt, et al., Nucl. Inst. and Methods, Vol. 283, p. 215 (1989)) with a **pixel** size of 0.8x0.8 mm<sup>2</sup>) and a thickness of 2 mm, with interelement spacing...distinct areas:

- a) Menu area
- b) Gray scale image display
- c) Spectrum (daughter window)
- d) **Image** characteristics (total count; sum of all counts; maximum counts; value of brightest **pixel** ; multiple counts; number of counts where signals are present in two adjacent rows or columns...

...CLAIMS strips being arranged relative to each other to form a grid-like array.

11. An **image** receptor according to claim 10, wherein said upper and substrate layers are respectively patterned with vertical and horizontal conductive strips, to produce a cross-grid representing a **pixel** of about 20-200 (mu)m width and about 20-200 (mu)m length.

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...film is a thin film having a thickness of 1-500(mu)m.

15. An **image** receptor according to claim 8, wherein said electrode comprises a grid of top patterned electrode **pixels** of about 20-200(mu)m width and about 20-200(mu)m length, each **pixel** being individually connected to an imaging electronic system.

16. A process for the preparation of...

...CLAIMS autre de facon a former un reseau semblable a une grille.

11. Un recepteur d' **image** selon la revendication 10, dans lequel des motifs de rubans conducteurs verticaux et horizontaux sont respectivement definis dans les couches superieure et de substrat, pour produire une grille representant un **pixel** d'environ 20-200 (mu)m de largeur et d'environ 20-200 (mu)m...

...une pellicule mince ayant une epaisseur de 1-500 (mu)m.

15. Un recepteur d' **image** selon la revendication 8, dans lequel l'electrode comprend une grille de **pixels** d'electrode superieure, resultant d'une operation de definition de motif, d'environ 20-200 (mu)m de largeur et d'environ 20-200 (mu)m de longueur, chaque **pixel** etant connecte individuellement a un systeme electronique **imageur** .



16. Un procede pour la preparation d'une pellicule continue consistant  
essentiellement en un materiau...

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**Method of forming polycrystalline semiconductor thin film**

**Verfahren zur Herstellung einer dunnen polykristallinen Halbleiterschicht**

**Procede pour former une couche mince en semi-conducteur polycristallin**

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performing a first working operation in such a way that TFTs are formed while using said polycrystalline **semiconductor** thin film as an active layer of the TFTs;

performing a second working operation in...

...CLAIMS on an insulating substrate to form a precursory polycrystalline film comprising clusters of microscopic crystal **grains** wherein said **semiconductor** layer **growing** step is carried out at a temperature of 500 - 650(degree)C by CVD; and...

...a single-shot of a laser pulse energy beam to the precursory film to increase **grain size** of said crystal **grains**, thereby converting said precursory film into a polycrystalline **semiconductor** thin film, wherein the cross section of the laser pulse energy beam has the shape...

...layer on an insulating substrate to form a polycrystalline film comprising clusters of microscopic crystal **grains** wherein said step of **growing** said **semiconductor** layer is carried out at a film formation temperature of 500 - 650(degree)C by...

...a single-shot of a laser pulse energy beam to the polycrystalline film to increase **grain sizes** of said crystal **grains** and to convert said polycrystalline film into a polycrystalline **semiconductor** thin film, wherein the cross section of the laser pulse energy beam has the shape...

...on an insulating substrate to form a polycrystalline film comprised of clusters of microscopic crystal **grains** wherein said step of **growing** said **semiconductor** layer is carried out at a film formation temperature of 500 - 650(degree)C by...

...a single-shot of a laser-pulse energy beam to said polycrystalline film to increase **grain sizes** of said crystal **grains** and to convert said polycrystalline film into a polycrystalline **semiconductor** thin film, wherein the cross section of the laser pulse energy beam has the shape...

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**METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A SEMICONDUCTOR THIN FILM TRANSISTOR**

**VERFAHREN ZUR HERSTELLUNG EINES DUNNSCHICHT-HALBLEITER-TRANSISTORS**

**PROCEDE DE FABRICATION D'UN TRANSISTOR SEMI-CONDUCTEUR A COUCHE MINCE**

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...SPECIFICATION such as silicon spreads readily over the underlevel protection layer. Because of this, large diameter **grains** can **grow** easily; and the properties of the thin film **semiconductor** device are improved dramatically. At the same time, local agglomeration of the molten material during solidification of the melted **semiconductor** material does not occur; and the uniformity within the molten region increases. The LSI scaling law applies to thin film **semiconductor** devices as well; and it appears that the miniaturization of elements will continue in step...submicron order, how to avoid local agglomeration will be an important issue. When fabricating the **semiconductor** layer by melt crystallization, the center line mean surface roughness of the underlevel protection layer...

...By meeting this criterion, it is possible to produce uniform films, without local agglomeration, from **semiconductor** films with large-diameter grains.

Another role of the underlevel protection layer is to prevent...the presence of the many nuclei resulting from the outgassing will result in the average **grain size** of the crystallized film being small and cause a degradation in the transistor properties. Additionally, the trapping of outgassing impurities in the **semiconductor** film during growth leads to further decline in transistor properties. As explained in section (2...

...in suppressing the generation of nuclei. At the same time, the deposition conditions of the **semiconductor** film must also be carefully controlled. Consequently, in addition to the regulation of the surface... of 0.19 nm/min showed black spots throughout transmission electron micrographs and had small **grain sizes** following crystallization by RTA. As a result, the mobilities were also low when these films...10(sup

current. Having a sufficiently small optical leakage current is a condition for a good thin film **semiconductor** device. In the case of the thin film **semiconductor** device of this invention, the optical leakage current is proportional to the film thickness. From...off state leakage and optical leakage are important, such as when using a thin film **semiconductor** device for the pixel switching element of an LCD, it is desirable to have a **semiconductor** film thickness from 10 nm to 70 nm. Moreover, when it is necessary to give...

...carry out activation in a stable manner, a lower limit must be set for the **semiconductor** film thickness. With this invention, the desired value is 30 nm or higher. If an...

...utilized, a thickness of 50 nm or higher is desired.

#### 2-14. Crystallization of the **Semiconductor** Film through VHF-PECVD and Microwave PECVD

As described in detail in section (2-12)...At the same time, because the a-Si layer is composed of large regions, the **size** of the **grains** after crystallization is large and high-performance electrical characteristics can be obtained. In other words...matrix liquid crystal display device (LCD), high-definition LCDs (LCDs having a large number of **picture elements**), bright LCDs (LCDs having a high aperture ratio in which storage capacitors have been reduced or eliminated), and highly-integrated LCDs (LCDs having a large number of **picture elements** per unit area), all of which were heretofore impossible using a-Si TFTs of the...

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**Method of processing a thin film on a substrate for display.**

**Verarbeitungsvorrichtung von einem dunnen Film uber einem Substrat fur eine Anzeige.**

**Procede de traitement d'un film mince sur un substrat pour dispositif d'affichage.**

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- ...ABSTRACT out to form integrated thin film transistors on a sectioned area for one chip. Thereafter, **pixel** electrodes for one **picture** (frame) are formed within the sectioned area. During the series of processes, a laser pulse...
- ...doped in the semiconductor thin film can be performed by the batch heat treatment. (see **image** in original document)
- ...SPECIFICATION 1 is a schematic diagram showing a previous paper suggested laser beam irradiation method. A **semiconductor chip** 101 for display which is a target to be processed has such a laminating structure that a **semiconductor** thin film 103 is formed on a transparent insulating substrate 102. In this method, a...
- ...beam 105 is irradiated onto a predetermined sectioned area 104 which is provided on the **semiconductor** thin film 103. In the conventional method, the output power of the laser beam is...
- ...is limited to a narrow area about 100( $\mu$ m)<sup>2</sup>. Accordingly, when a **semiconductor** thin film 103 having a large area is required to be processed to satisfy a requirement for a large-scale picture, the laser beam is irradiated onto the whole **semiconductor** thin film while scanning the laser beam 105 or shifting the laser-irradiation area stepwisely...
- ...than to narrow the laser-irradiation area down. With increase of the energy density, a **semiconductor** thin film of amorphous silicon or polycrystal silicon having relatively small **grain size** is perfectly melted to increase its **grain size**. In this method, however, an irradiation time per **chip** increases and thus a throughput is reduced. Furthermore, the scanning of the irradiation of the...
- ...beam causes temperature difference to occur locally, and thus causes increase in dispersion of crystal **grain size**. Therefore, there occurs great dispersion in electrical characteristics of the thin film transistors such as...
- ...thin film transistors in a sectioned area for one chip and a step of forming **pixel** electrodes in the sectioned area to form a **picture** (frame), wherein the processing step contains a step of irradiating a laser pulse to the...
- ...the semiconductor thin film is melted to be recrystallized or annealed

crystallinity of the **semiconductor** thin film cannot be uniform over the same sectioned area. If a transistor is formed of such a **semiconductor** thin film having ununiform crystallinity as described above, dispersion in TFT's characteristics would occur in the same **chip** due to the different in **grain size**. In order to avoid such a disadvantage is proposed a method of selectively forming an...

...area. However, this method needs a process of beforehand forming an antireflection film on the **semiconductor** thin film by the patterning treatment, and thus it induces increase in the number of...of the laser pulse. Therefore, the semiconductor thin film can be perfectly melted, and the **grain size** of crystals can be easily increased.

According to the present invention, the one-shot irradiation...

...CLAIMS to form integrated thin film transistors in a sectioned area for one chip; and  
forming **pixel** electrodes in the sectioned area to form a **picture**, wherein said processing step contains a step of irradiating a laser pulse to the sectioned...

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**Semiconductor device.**

**Halbleitervorrichtung.**

**Dispositif a semi-conducteur.**

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...SPECIFICATION etching to process the single crystal silicon wafer to a predetermined thickness.

However, in conventional **semiconductor** thin film elements using amorphous or polycrystalline silicon thin film sub-micron transistor elements cannot be formed by applying fine **semiconductor** manufacturing techniques. For example, as the amorphous silicon thin film is formed at a temperature...

...cannot be carried out. Furthermore, as polycrystalline silicon thin film, which is used for a **semiconductor** thin film element, has a crystalline **grain size** of several ( $\mu$ m) it is limited naturally to miniaturise a thin film element. As...The semiconductor circuit elements in the integrated circuit chip 26 include a matrix in a **pixel** region 29, an X-driver in a side region 27, and a Y-driver in a side region 28. The matrix in the **pixel** region 29 is formed of fine **pixel** electrodes and integrated gate field effect transistors corresponding to the fine **pixel** electrodes, or of PN type **photo** diodes. The X-driver in the side region 27 is formed of drive circuits for supplying electrical signals to the respective transistors or **photo** diodes. The Y-driver in the side region 28 is formed of drive circuits acting...

...circuits for scanning sequentially the respective transistors or for scanning and detecting sequentially the respective **photo** diodes. As the single crystal thin film has a higher mobility than that of an...

...response characteristics can be formed on the same surface together with the matrix in the **pixel** region.

A portion 30 (Fig. 9) of an optical detector array is illustrated diagrammatically and...liquid crystal light valve 75. Each liquid crystal light valve includes a matrix in a **pixel** region of approximately 20 x 20 mm, of 480 x 720 **pixels**, each with a **pixel** electrode of approximately 18 x 20 ( $\mu$ m). The liquid crystal light valve device employs...

...layer as liquid crystal material and has a contrast ratio of 50 to 100. An **image** is driven in response to video signals from a first liquid crystal device drive circuit 65 and a second liquid crystal device drive circuit 72. The **image** of an object 63 taken by a CCD camera 64 is combined with a reference **image** from an **image** memory 66 by means of the first liquid crystal device drive circuit 65 to display the outcome on the first liquid crystal device 69. The **image** of the object 63 appears as an input **image** 78 (Fig. 19) and the reference **image** as a reference **image** 79. The object 63 is a Chinese character "Hikari" in Mincyotai type and the reference **image** is a Chinese character "Hikari" in Gothic type. The **images** are displayed side by side on the first liquid crystal device 60.

The input image...The thin film makes it possible to form a liquid crystal light valve with fine **pixels** and a large number of **pixels**, or to form an optical detector with good light transparency. Hence it is

possible to display and measure fine **images** .

In one embodiment of semiconductor thin film element manufacturing method according to the present invention...

...valve employing the semiconductor thin film element can be a liquid crystal display device with **pixels** each having a 5 to 20 m square near to a light wavelength. As a conventional coherent light-using display can provide **image** quality analogous to that of **photographic** film, the liquid crystal display device contributes largely and technically to a high resolution display...

...possible to miniaturise and provide higher resolution power of the optical correlation device. Furthermore, the **pixel** with a size near to light wavelength may be applied to a multi-filter type...

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**Manufacturing electronic devices comprising, e.g., TFTs and MIMs.**

**Herstellung von elektronischen Anordnungen, die zum Beispiel TFTs und MIMs enthalten.**

**Fabrication de dispositifs electroniques comportant entre autre TFTs et MIMs.**

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...ABSTRACT be retained for that purpose. This permits the fabrication of an LCD device comprising a **picture - element** array of MIM type devices in the unconverted material (32) of the layer and TFT driver circuitry in the crystalline silicon material (36) of the layer. (see **image** in original document) (see **image** in original document)

...SPECIFICATION used as the switching devices in an array for actively controlling the operation of the **picture elements** of a liquid-crystal display. In more recent years MIM-type devices have been used...987 (our reference PHB33417). The device has a row and column matrix array of individual **picture elements** 10, only a few of which are shown in Figure 1 for simplicity. In practice...

...example of glass or other low-cost insulating material) with liquid-crystal material therebetween. The **picture - element** array is located over the main central area of the substrates, whereas driving circuits 28...

...together in rows and columns. Each individual electrode 18 defines the area of a respective **picture element** 10. The substrate 14 also carries a switching array of MIM devices 24 (integrated with the **picture - element** electrodes 18), a set of parallel row-address conductors 22, and row-driver circuitry 28...

...address conductors 20 extend at right angles to the row conductors 22. Where they overlie **picture - element** electrodes 18, the conductors 20 constitute the other electrodes of the **picture elements** 10.

The **picture - element** electrodes 18 of all **picture elements** in the same row are connected to a respective row-address conductor 22 (Figures 1...

...the form of MIM devices 24. Although only one MIM device is shown for each **picture element**, two or more MIM devices 24 could be associated with each **picture element** 10 in known manner.

The individual picture elements 10 are addressed in conventional fashion using...18, the chromium area 18a is exposed and is now etched away so that this **picture - element** area becomes transparent.

A further photolithographic and etching stage is then carried out to provide...

...insulating material 32 with the laser beam 40 is of surprisingly good quality for producing **semiconductor** devices, in spite of the material 32 having been deposited at a low temperature. Spectroscopy measurements show that polycrystalline silicon material of large **grain size** is produced.

In a particular example an amorphous non-stoichiometric silicon nitride material 32 formed...

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Process for producing a solid state radiation detector.

Verfahren zur Herstellung eines Festkörperstrahlungsdetektors.

**Procede pour produire un detecteur de rayonnement a l'etat solide.**

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...SPECIFICATION array 16 is fed to the electrodes of associated TFTs in the array 18.

The **pixels** forming such an array are typically 85(mu)m X 85(mu)m in area...

...with respect to the TFTs is essential for a commercially viable device that produces an **image** with satisfactory resolution. The greater the amount of defective **pixels** in such a device, the poorer the resolution of the **image**. In addition, alignment of the layers in each **pixel** results in an active area in each **pixel** that is greater than the active areas in **pixels** produced under prior art methods. The sequence of microlithographic steps that were used in prior...

...present invention automatically aligns the layers as discussed above, the resulting active area of each **pixel** is greater.

An example of the process of the present invention that produces the sensing...or with cesium iodine doped with thallium. The phosphor may be situated individually over each **pixel** in microcolumns. The individual microcolumn arrangement confines the scattered emitted light to the area of the associated **pixel**. Although conventional screens can also be used with the present invention, the use of such...

...screen results in some spreading of the emitted light which causes a reduction in the **image** sharpness.

The use of columnar phosphor results in greater image sharpness since the emitted light...

...be formed by evaporating cesium iodine doped with thallium on the detector.

A metal-oxide- **semiconductor** field effect transistor (MOSFET) may be

substituted for the thin film transistor to produce the...  
...produce the MOSFET using the process of the present invention, the  
substrate (which is silicon **wafer** coated with 1-3( $\mu$ )m of thermal oxide  
for insulating) is coated with an...  
...using furnace annealing, rapid thermal annealing, E-beam annealing, or  
laser annealing to form large **grain size** polycrystalline or single  
crystal silicon. The crystallized silicon layer is then patterned into  
islands using...

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00480082

**Solid state X-ray imaging device**

**Röntgen-Abbildungsvorrichtung aus Festkörperbauelementen**

**Dispositif a l'etat solide d'imagerie par rayons X**

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CLAIMS B	(German)	EPAB97	594
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**... H01L-031/0232 ...**

**... H01L-031/115 ...**

**... H01L-031/14**

...SPECIFICATION at approximately 620(degree)C for 24 hours to form a crystalline polysilicon layer. The **grain size** of the crystalline polysilicon ranged from 500A - 3,000A.

The now crystalline polysilicon layer was...

...SPECIFICATION of U.S. Patents 4,689,487 and 4,810,881 has a non-destructive **image** read-out capability.

EP-A-0028960 discloses a detector comprising a plurality of **pixels** which each comprise a photodiode conductively connected to a gate of a thin film transistor...

...a thin film transistor employing amorphous silicon in which the transistors are used for optical **image** sensors in an **image** scanner.

#### SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

According to this invention there is provided a radiation detector... chemical vapor deposition could also have been used to form the polysilicon amorphous layer.

The **wafers** containing the two layers were then annealed in a nitrogen atmosphere of approximately 200 Pa...

...at approximately 620(degree)C for 24 hours to form a crystalline polysilicon layer. The **grain size** of the crystalline polysilicon ranged from 500x10<sup>-10</sup>) - 3000 x 10<sup>-10</sup>) m (500A - 3...

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00459530

**Method of forming crystals.**

**Verfahren zur Herstellung von Kristallen.**

**Methode pour former des cristaux.**

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Total word count - documents A + B			7641

INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: H01L-021/20 ...

...SPECIFICATION oxides and silicon nitrides are stable amorphous materials, which have been widely used for silicon **integrated circuit** processing. Such amorphous compounds are formed by chemical vapor deposition. When silicon was deposited on...

...amorphous layer or at best, a polycrystalline silicon layer, was formed with a variety of **grain sizes**. That is because the silicon layer was formed by spontaneous nucleation, coalescence and recrystallization. In ...of large area semiconductor devices such as solar batteries or switching transistors of liquid crystal **picture elements**, etc, in which devices are arranged in an array on a cheap glass, are becoming...

...etc.

On the other hand, the method for forming a polycrystalline thin film with great **grain sizes** by melting and solidification had problems. A great deal of time is required to form...

...due to scanning of amorphous or single crystal thin film with energy beam for every **wafer**. Therefore, that technique is poor in bulk productivity, and also, it is not suited for...

...if a continuous thin film may be formed, it has a polycrystalline structure with great **grain size** distribution and is difficult to apply for **semiconductor** devices.

Also, as long as a diamond substrate is used, it is expensive as a...

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00315792

**Method for forming semiconductor crystal and semiconductor crystal article obtained by said method.**

**Verfahren zur Herstellung eines Halbleiterkristalls und dabei hergestellter Halbleiterkristall.**

**Methode pour former un cristal semi-conducteur et cristal semi-conducteur produit par cette methode.**

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INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: H01L-021/20 ...

...SPECIFICATION THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

This invention relates to a method for forming a **semiconductor** crystal and a **semiconductor** crystal article obtained by said method, particularly to a method for forming a **semiconductor** single crystal or a **semiconductor** polycrystal controlled in **grain size** prepared by utilizing the difference in nucleation density of the deposited materials according to the...

...of large area semiconductor devices such as solar batteries of switching transistors of liquid crystal **picture elements**, etc., in which devices are arranged in an array on a cheap glass are becoming... etc.

On the other hand, the method for forming a polycrystalline thin film with great **grain sizes** by melting and solidification had the problems that an enormous time is required due to scanning of amorphous or single crystal thin film with energy beam for every **wafer** to be poor in bulk productivity, and also that it is not suited for enlargement...

...if a continuous thin film may be formed, it has a polycrystalline structure with great **grain size** distribution and can be difficultly applied for **semiconductor** device.

Also, as long as a diamond substrate is used, it is expensive as a... all on the thin film 5, as already mentioned.

The island-shaped semiconductor single crystal **grain** 7 further **grows** while maintaining the single crystal structure with the nucleation surface (S( sub(NDL))) 6 as single crystal **grains** 13-1, 13-2 further **grow** to become **semiconductor** single crystals 13A-1, 13A-2 until the adjacent **semiconductor** single crystals 13A-1, 13A-2 contact each other as shown in Fig. 7C, but...

...all on the thin film 5A, as already mentioned.

The island-shaped semiconductor single crystal **grain** 7 further **grows** while maintaining the single crystal structure with the nucleation surface (S( sub(NDL))) 6A as...

...cover over the whole surface of the thin film 5 as shown in Fig. 10C (**semiconductor** single crystal 7A).

Subsequently, if necessary, the semiconductor single crystal 7A is flattened by etching...the surface plane in amorphous surface is not determined.

The island-shaped semiconductor single crystal **grains** 13-1, 13-2 further **grow** to become **semiconductor** single crystals 13A-1, 13A-2 until the adjacent **semiconductor** single crystals 13A-1, 13A-2 contact each other as shown in Fig. 7C, but...pressure of 150 Torr. The i-silicon monocrystals grow until they mutually collide, thus forming **grain** boundaries 1508. The **grown** crystals show characteristic facets as shown in Fig. 19. The photovoltaic device shows, under the...

...light, for example, electric characteristics of an open-end voltage of 0.62V, a short- **circuit** current of 32 mA/cm(sup 2), and a fill factor of 0.8.

The...

...grown from the silicon monocrystal seeds generated only on the Mo film 2001, and the **growth** is terminated when the **grain size** reaches 5 - 6 (mu)m. In the following there is shown an example of crystal...

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00315219

**Method for growth of crystal.**

**Verfahren zum Zuchten eines Kristalls.**

**Methode pour la croissance d'un cristal.**

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INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: **H01L-021/20** ...

...SPECIFICATION years about large area semiconductor devices such as solar battery, switching transistor of liquid crystal **picture element** , etc. in which devices are arranged in an array on an inexpensive glass.

What is...photoelectric transducing device, etc.

Also, the method for forming a polycrystalline thin film with greater **grain size** by melting and solidification has involved the problems such that enormous time is required for enlargement of **grain size** , that bulk productivity is poor and also that it is not fitted for enlargement of area, because amorphous or monocrystal thin film is

scanned with energy beam for every **wafer** .

As described above, according to the method for forming crystal of the prior art, three...

...SPECIFICATION years for large area semiconductor devices such as solar batteries, switching transistors of liquid crystal **picture elements** , etc. in which devices are arranged in an array on an inexpensive glass.

What is...photoelectric transducing device, etc.

Also, the method of forming a polycrystalline thin film with greater **grain size** by melting and solidification has involved problems such as enormous time required for enlargement of **grain size** , poor bulk productivity and also incompatibility with enlargement of area, because amorphous or monocrystal thin film is scanned with an energy beam for every **wafer** .

As described above, according to many previous methods of forming monocrystalline material, three-dimensional integration...

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00310764

**II-VI Group compound crystal article and process for producing the same.**

**Kristallisches Verbundprodukt der II-VI-Gruppe und Verfahren zu seiner Herstellung.**

**Produit cristallin composite du groupe II-VI et son procede de fabrication.**

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INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: **H01L-021/365** ...

...SPECIFICATION are arranged in an array on an inexpensive glass or switching transistors of liquid crystal **picture elements** , etc. are becoming more active year by year.



What is common in both of these...according to the prior art method has an amorphous structure or a polycrystalline structure having **grain size** distribution, and the **semiconductor** electronic element prepared in such deposited films is greatly inferior in performance as compared with a **semiconductor** electronic element prepared in a monocrystal layer. For this reason, uses are limited to simple...

...transducing element, etc.

Also, the method for forming a polycrystalline thin film with a large **grain size** by melting and solidification has the problem that enormous time is required for making **grain size** larger, because each **wafer** is scanned with an energy beam to convert an amorphous or polycrystalline thin film to a polycrystalline thin film with a large **grain size**, whereby bulk productivity is poor and the method is not suited for enlargement of area it can be formed by use of a device used in conventional **semiconductor** process, without requiring any special new preparation device.

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Fig. 1...monocrystal with necessary size, monocrystals shaped in a plurality of islands, a polycrystal with controlled **grain size** and **grains size** distribution, etc. can be easily formed on a base substrate of any desired material. Besides...

...is required, but it can be formed by use of a device used in conventional **semiconductor** process.

Also, the crystal according to the present invention is not restricted with respect to...

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00310739

III - V Group compound crystal article and process for producing the same.  
Kristalliner Gegenstand aus III-V-Gruppe-Verbindung und Verfahren zu seiner Herstellung.

Article en cristal III-V et son procede de fabrication.

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INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: H01L-021/20 ...

...SPECIFICATION are arranged in an array on an inexpensive glass or switching transistors of liquid crystal **picture elements**, etc. are becoming more active year by year.

What is common in both of these...according to the prior art method has an amorphous structure or a polycrystalline structure having **grain size** distribution, and the **semiconductor** electronic element prepared in such deposited films is greatly inferior in performance as compared with a **semiconductor** electronic element prepared in a monocrystal layer. For this reason, uses are limited to simple...

...transducing element, etc.

Also, the method for forming a polycrystalline thin film with a large **grain size** by melting and solidification had the problem that enormous time is required for making **grain size** larger, because each **wafer** is scanned with an energy beam to convert an amorphous or polycrystalline thin film to a polycrystalline thin film with a large **grain size**, whereby bulk productivity is poor and the method is not suited for enlargement of area be formed by use of a device used in conventional **semiconductor** process, without requiring any special new preparation device.

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Fig. 1...monocrystal with necessary size, monocrystals shaped in a plurality of islands, a polycrystal with controlled **grain size** and **grains size** distribution, etc. can be easily formed on a base substrate of any desired material. Besides...

...is required, but it can be formed by use of a device used in conventional **semiconductor** process.

Also, the crystal according to the present invention is not restricted with respect to...

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00310736

**Method of forming crystals.**

**Verfahren zur Herstellung von Kristallen.**

**Procede de preparation de cristaux.**

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INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: H01L-021/20 ...

...SPECIFICATION array on an inexpensive glass, such as solar batteries and switching transistors for liquid crystal **picture elements** .

What is common to these researches and developments is to require techniques by which a...converting device, etc.

Also, the method for forming a polycrystalline thin film with a large **grain size** by melting and solidification had the problem that enormous time is required for making **grain size** larger, because an amorphous or monocrystalline thin film is scanned with an energy beam for each **wafer** , whereby bulk productivity is poor and the method is not suited for enlargement of area...semiconductors such as InP, etc. capable of growth, monocrystals, monocrystal groups or polycrystals controlled in **grain size** can be formed.

Example 1

At the surface of a 5 inch Si monocrystal wafer...

...ray diffraction. As a result, it was found that 50 100 Si monocrystals having a **grain size** of 80 ( $\mu$ )m with an extremely narrow distribution were formed. It was also found...

...monocrystals with necessary sizes, a plural number of island-shaped monocrystals and polycrystals controlled in **grain size** , etc. can be easily formed on the base substrate. Moreover, they can be formed by use of a device conventionally used in **semiconductor** process without requiring a special production device.

Also, the crystals of the present invention are...

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00310735

**Crystal articles and method for forming the same**

**Kristalline Gegenstande und Verfahren zu ihrer Herstellung**

**Articles cristallins et leur procede de fabrication**

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APPLICATION (CC, No, Date): EP 88302717 880325;  
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CLAIMS B	(French)	9849	676
SPEC B	(English)	9849	3426
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...SPECIFICATION on an inexpensive glass sheet, such as solar batteries and switching transistors for liquid crystal **picture elements** .

What is common to each of these is that techniques are needed by which a...

...photoelectric transducers, etc.

Also, in the method of forming polycrystalline thin films having a large **grain size** by fusion and solidification, the amorphous or monocrystalline thin film is scanned with energy beams for each **wafer** . Accordingly, there has been a problem that the method requires much time to make the **grain size** large, it is poor in mass-productivity, and it is not suited for large area...

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00309737

**Process for producing crystals on a light-transmissive substrate**

**Verfahren zur Herstellung von Kristallen auf einem Lichtdurchlassigen Substrat**

**Procede pour la production de cristaux sur un substrat transparent a la lumiere**

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... **H01L-021/20**

...SPECIFICATION about large area semiconductor devices such as solar batteries or switching transistors for liquid crystal **picture elements**, etc. in which elements are arranged in an array on an inexpensive glass plate are...

...P, I, and N-type layers of the PIN structure are of non-single-crystal **semiconductor** material and the effect of the light irradiation is to crystallise or recrystallise at least...

...layer in the vicinity of the boundary between it and the P or N-type **semiconductor** layer adjacent to the substrate. Where initially the I-type layer is of amorphous silicon...

...of both. If initially crystalline, the I-type layer is rendered microcrystalline of a large **grain size** (sic) or polycrystalline. In neither case is light used to reduce defects in a single...

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**Photosensor.**

**Lichtsensor.**

**Capteur de lumiere.**

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...SPECIFICATION polishing. Therefore, as shown in Fig. 20D, single-crystal semiconductor layers 308 having a predetermined **size** are connected through the **grain** boundaries 314. The **size** of each single-crystal **semiconductor** layer 308 is determined by the distance (liters) between the nucleus formation surface micropatterns 306. By properly determining the nucleus formation micropatterns 306, the single-crystal **semiconductor** layers 308 each having a desired size can be arranged in a desired shape. Fig...response to these shift pulses.

The reference value read operation will be described below. The **image** information is output as a signal SG in response to the shift pulses CP1 and...

...are read out from the correction data memory 115 so as to correspond to the **pixels**.

The signals A0 to Am and the data Q0 to Qm are input as an...

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**Method for forming crystalline deposited film**

**Verfahren zur Herstellung einer niedergeschlagenen kristallinen Schicht**

**Procede pour former une couche deposee cristalline**

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...SPECIFICATION of large area semiconductor devices such as solar batteries or switching transistors of liquid crystal **picture elements**, etc., in which devices are arranged in an array on a cheap glass are becoming...etc.

On the other hand, the method for forming a polycrystalline thin film with great **grain sizes** by melting and solidification had the problems that an enormous time is required due to scanning of amorphous or single crystal thin film with energy beam for every **wafer** to be poor in bulk productivity, and also that it is not suited for enlargement...

...if a continuous thin film may be formed, it has a polycrystalline structure with great **grain size** distribution and can be difficultly applied for **semiconductor** device.

Also, as long as a diamond substrate is used, it is expensive as a...

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00246800

**Method for forming crystal and crystal article obtained by said method**

**Herstellungsverfahren eines Kristalls und so hergestellter Kristall**

**Methode de fabrication d'un cristal et cristal ainsi produit**

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INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: H01L-021/20 ...

...SPECIFICATION of large area semiconductor devices such as solar batteries or switching transistors of liquid crystal **picture elements**, etc., in which devices are arranged in an array on a cheap glass are becoming...etc.

On the other hand, the method for forming a polycrystalline thin film with great **grain sizes** by melting and solidification had the problems that an enormous time is required due to scanning of amorphous or single crystal thin film with energy beam for every **wafer** to be poor in bulk productivity, and also that it is not suited for enlargement...

...if a continuous thin film may be formed, it has a polycrystalline structure with great **grain size** distribution and can be difficultly applied for **semiconductor** device.

Also, as long as a diamond substrate is used, it is expensive as a... are flattened by selective etching of only Si, whereby a polycrystalline silicon layer controlled in **grain size** can be formed. Further, by removing the ...may be conducted before etching. When electrical field effect transistors are formed according to conventional **semi - conductor** device preparation technique on the single crystal silicon layers 15-1, 15-2 thus formed...

...or more containing no grain boundary, characteristics not inferior to that formed on single silicon **wafer** are exhibited.

Also, mutual interference between the adjacent single crystal silicon layers can be prevented...InP, etc., a single crystal, a group of single crystals or a polycrystal controlled in **grain size** and **grain size** distribution can be formed according to the present invention.

Example 1

A 5 inch Si...

...ray diffraction. As the result, it was found that 50 100 Si single crystals with **grain size** of 80 (mu)m and substantially no **grain size** distribution were formed with the above region of exposed Si(sub 3)N(sub 4)...with a necessary size, a plurality of island-shaped single crystals, a polycrystal controlled in **grain size** and **grain size** distribution, etc., can be formed easily on a base substrate of any desired material. Besides...

...is required, but it can be formed by use of a device conventionally used in **semiconductor** process.

Also, the crystal according to the present invention is not limited to the materials...

...SPECIFICATION method in which melting and solidification are used to form polycrystalline thin film of large **grain size** suffers from the problems that an enormous process time is required due to the need to



scan the amorphous or single crystal thin film of every **wafer** with an energy beam, which gives poor productivity and also that the method is unsuitable...

...Even where a continuous film is formed, it has a polycrystalline structure with a large **grain size** distribution and it is difficult to use in **semiconductor** devices. Also if a diamond structure is required, the substrate is self-evidently expensive which...are flattened by selective etching of only Si, whereby a polycrystalline silicon layer controlled in **grain size** can be formed. Further, by removing the grain boundary portion, island-shaped single crystalline silicon conducted before etching. When electrical field effect transistors are formed according to conventional **semi-conductor** device preparation technique on the single crystal silicon layers 15-1, 15-2 thus formed...

...or more containing no grain boundary, characteristics not inferior to that formed on single silicon **wafer** are exhibited.

Also, mutual interference between the adjacent single crystal silicon layers can be prevented...InP, etc., a single crystal, a group of single crystals or a polycrystal controlled in **grain size** and **grain size** distribution can be formed according to the present invention.

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A 5 inch Si...

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...is required, but it can be formed by use of a device conventionally used in **semiconductor** process.

Also, the crystal according to the present invention is not limited to the materials...

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**Method for forming crystalline deposited film**

**Herstellungsverfahren einer niedergeschlagenen Kristallschicht**

**Methode pour former une couche cristalline deposee**

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...SPECIFICATION from year to year and examples include solar batteries and switching transistors of liquid crystal **picture elements** .

A common feature of both of these techniques is the need to provide a semiconductor...method in which melting and solidification are used to form polycrystalline thin film of large **grain size** suffers from the problems that an enormous process time is required due to the need to scan the amorphous or single crystal thin film of every **wafer** with an energy beam, which gives poor productivity and also that the method is unsuitable...

...Even where a continuous film is formed, it has a polycrystalline structure with a large **grain size** distribution and it is difficult to use in **semiconductor** devices. Also if a diamond structure is required, the substrate is self-evidently expensive which...

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**AN ACTIVE MATRIX ELECTRO-OPTIC DISPLAY**

**AFFICHEUR ELECTRO-OPTIQUE A MATRICE ACTIVE**

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Detailed Description

Detailed Description  
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Liquid crystal displays having a thin film transistor (TFT) on each  
**picture**  
**element** are well known. Analogue liquid crystal displays such as  
twisted  
nematic LCDs using cadmium selenide...

...FLC display. This is cheaper than incorporating a colour filter into the  
display.

11-VI **Semiconductor** materials such as CdSe or CdTe can be sputtered  
down as an amorphous layer at...

...is sputtered and not annealed (to keep the processing temperature low),  
the control of the **grain size** and **grain** boundaries are not good.  
This leads to a variation of about 0-5V in the...

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**THIN-FILM TRANSISTOR AND ITS MANUFACTURING METHOD**  
**TRANSISTOR EN COUCHES MINCES ET PROCEDE DE FABRICATION**

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Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... display domain 81 as shown in Fig. 5 (A). In this screen display domain 81, **pixels** are formed with data lines 90 and scan lines 91 made of metal film such as aluminum, tantalum, molybdenum, titanium, and tungsten, silicide film, and conductive semiconductor film. On each **pixel**, a liquid-crystal unit 94 (liquidcrystal cell) is formed where **image** signals are input via a TFT 30 for **image** switching. For the data line 90, a data-side driving circuit 60 is constructed that...

...88 and a level shifter 89 are constructed for the scan line 91. On each **pixel**, a retention capacitor 40 is formed connected to a capacity line 92 running in...

...40 may be formed between a scan line 91 of the previous row and a **pixel** electrode.

As shown in Fig. 5 (B), a CMOS circuit is constructed in the data...etc.

However, in the low-temperature process, because it is difficult to form a polycrystalline **semiconductor** film of high crystallinity directly on the substrate, first of all an amorphous **semiconductor** 100 needs to be formed using the plasma CVD method or the lowpressure CVD method, and then this **semiconductor** film 100 needs to be crystallized as is explained below. As the method of this...

...Crystallization Process) is used, temperature increase of the substrate can be suppressed and a large- **grain** - **size** polycrystalline **semiconductor** film can be obtained.

In this cr

, ystallization process, a laser beam (excimer laser) emitted...

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00962831

**Methods of forming integrated circuit capacitors having improved electrode and dielectric layer characteristics and capacitors formed thereby**  
**Herstellungsverfahren von Kondensatoren für integrierte Schaltungen mit verbesserten Charakteristiken von Elektroden- und Dielektricumsschichten sowie so hergestellte Kondensatoren**  
**Procede de fabrication de condensateurs pour circuits integres ayant des caracteristiques ameliorees d'electrode et de dielectrique et condensateurs ainsi obtenus**

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Methods of forming **integrated circuit** capacitors include the steps of forming a lower electrode of a capacitor by forming a conductive layer pattern (e.g., silicon layer) on a **semiconductor** substrate and then forming a hemispherical grain (HSG) silicon surface layer of first conductivity type...

...layer pattern increases the effective surface area of the lower electrode for a given lateral **dimension**. The **HSG** silicon surface layer is also preferably sufficiently doped with first conductivity type dopants (e.g. ...

...SPECIFICATION capacitors having HSG surface layers therein (hereinafter "HSG capacitors") have manifested enhanced capacitance in high **density integrated circuits**, **HSG** capacitors may lack stability and may incur performance degradation over the lifetime of an **integrated circuit** memory device. Studies have shown that the capacitance of a conventional HSG capacitor can vary...

...layer pattern increases the effective surface area of the lower electrode for a given lateral **dimension**. The **HSG** silicon surface layer is also preferably sufficiently doped with first conductivity type dopants (e.g. ...

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**Spin-on conductor process for integrated circuits.**

**Verfahren, um Leiter durch "Spin-on"-Verfahren für integrierte Schaltungen aufzutragen.**

**Procede pour deposer un conducteur par "Spin-on" pour circuits integres.**

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...SPECIFICATION etch is required to remove the majority of the tungsten from the surface of the **wafer**. Second, when the tungsten is removed from the surface, the barrier material is exposed at...

...leave a void. The third disadvantage arises from the fact that tungsten is deposited by **grain growth**, and the final tungsten film is composed of individual merged grains. Gaseous tungsten may be...

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**Semiconductor device including a wiring layer**

**Halbleiteranordnung mit einer Leiterschicht**

**Dispositif semi-conducteur comprenant une couche conductrice**

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...SPECIFICATION to this patent, a predetermined first thickness of a metal layer is deposited on a **semiconductor wafer** at a cold temperature. Then, the temperature is increased to approximately 400(degree)C to...

...second thickness of the metal layer. The reflow of the metal layer takes place through **grain growth**, recrystallization and bulk diffusion.

According to the Tracy et al. method, the step coverage of...of about 6,000A at a room temperature, the metal layer thus obtained has a **grain size** as small as 0.2(mu)m. Thus, the step coverage of a sputtered Al...

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**FABRICATION OF SOLID-STATE DEVICES HAVING THIN DIELECTRIC LAYERS.**  
**VERFAHREN ZUR HERSTELLUNG VON FESTKORPERN EINRICHTUNGEN MIT DUENNEN**  
**DIALEKTRISCHEN SCHICHTEN.**  
**FABRICATION DE DISPOSITIFS A SEMI-CONDUCTEURS AYANT DES COUCHES**  
**DIELECTRIQUES MINCES.**

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...SPECIFICATION of the amorphouse silicon to polysilicon. Application of the present technique to the production of **integrated circuits** and other solid state devices is possible. Silicon is considered to be amorphous when only short-range order is present at the atomic level, with any resulting **grains** having a **size** of less than 1 nanometer, as determined by x-ray or electron diffraction techniques known...

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**CRYSTALLIZATION APPARATUS AND METHOD OF AMORPHOUS SILICON**  
**SYSTEME ET PROCEDE DE CRISTALLISATION DE SILICIUM**

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... the laser beam 1 th rough the slit 61 11 in the previous shot. The  
**grain growth** in the lower half of the regio ns in this shot starts  
from a boundary...

...in the p revious shot and proceeds in the upward direction, which is the  
same **growing** direction of the **grain** . As a result, the grain formed in  
the previous shot extends to the upward di...

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IMPROVED CHEMICAL-MECHANICAL POLISHING SLURRY FOR POLISHING OF COPPER OR  
SILVER FILMS

PATE DE POLISSAGE MECANO-CHIMIQUE AMELIOREE, UTILISEE DANS LE POLISSAGE DE  
FILMS DE CUIVRE OU D'ARGENT

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.... Example 14; The use of Halide Chemistries on the Polishina of Silver.

1 5 A **wafer** coated with a silver layer was dipped in a 10 mM iodine  
solution at a...

...EDX data showing the formation of a silver iodide layer after dipping a  
silver coated **wafer** in the

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iodine containing slurry. A thin continuous layer is formed at the  
surface as shown in each of the SEMs. The **grain size** is about 0.4  
microns, or less. The AgI layer can be seen to entirely...